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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

Today.
(February 21.)
Queen's Theatre: "Way Out West."
World Theatre: "Battling Butler."
Star Theatre: "Jim The Conqueror."
Interport Football: Shanghai v. Chinese, Club ground, 3.30 p.m.
Interport Football Dinner, Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.
May Hall, The University, Annual Concert and Dance, 8.15 p.m.
Annual Meeting of Bank of East Asia, 3 p.m.
Annual Athletic Sports of The University, Pokfulam, 1.30 p.m.
Cricket.—Division 1: Kowloon C.C. v. Craigengower (L.), Hong Kong C.C. v. Navy (L.), Civil Service v. University (F.). Division 2: Craigengower v. Kowloon C.C. (L.), Civil Service v. Police (L.), University v. Royal Engineers (L.), Royal Signals v. Hong Kong C.C. (F.).
Football.—Second Division: Recreation Club, Navy v. Chinese, Royal Artillery v. St. Joseph's, University v. Borderers, Eastern v. Highlanders, South China v. Kowloon.
Hockey.—Caer Clark Cup: Kowloon Ladies v. St. Andrew's, Recreation v. Diocesan Girls' School.
Hunting.—Fauling Hunt Hounds Meet (Kennels), 3.15 p.m.
European Mail.—Inward: Europe via Negapatana (Fushima Maru), Outward: Europe via Siberia (Fushima Maru), 3.30 p.m.
Sunday.
(February 22.)
1st Sunday in Lent.
George Washington's Birthday.
Queen's Theatre: "Golden Calf."
World Theatre: "Battling Butler."
Star Theatre: "Hotel Imperial."
Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders Gymkhana, Kwanthi.
Special Services at St. John's Cathedral:—11 a.m.—"Memento Christi," by the Dean; 6.30 p.m.—"Psychology and the Validity of Christian Experience," by the Rev. E. A. Armstrong.

Monday.
(February 23.)
Queen's Theatre: "Golden Calf."
World Theatre: "Hung Lin Tai."
Star Theatre: "Hotel Imperial."
Interport Football:—Shanghai v. United Services, Club ground, 3.30 p.m.
Sale of Crown Land, 3 p.m.
European Mail.—Outward: Europe via Siberia (Pres. Grant), 6 p.m.; Europe via Victoria, B.C. (Heina Maru), 5 p.m.
Tuesday.
(February 24.)
Queen's Theatre: "Golden Calf."
World Theatre: "Hung Lin Tai."
Star Theatre: "Merry Widow."
Annual Meeting of Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., H.K. Hotel, 11.30 a.m.
Wednesday.
(February 25.)
Queen's Theatre: "Golden Calf."
World Theatre: "Hung Lin Tai."
Star Theatre: "Merry Widow."
Football: Combined Chinese v. Combined Portuguese, Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m.

A CARTOONIST AND HIS "VICTIMS."

"GREAT MEN ARE NEARLY ALWAYS LIKEABLE."

MR. DAVID LOW AND BRITAIN'S STATESMEN AND AUTHORS.

Great men are nearly always likeable personally, writes Mr. David Low, the celebrated cartoonist in the *Evening Standard*. Indeed, they go to some trouble to make themselves likeable, for in these democratic days an engaging manner is an important aid to success in public life.

"It is in most men's power to be agreeable," said Swift, probably warning his subconscious self to be on its guard while he kept company with the persons who were the raw material of his satire. For what would happen to the art of the satirist—or the caricaturist—who surrendered to the personal charm of his raw material? Affection emasculates satire. Admiration corrupts caricature.

Patience Lord Oxford.

I remember pleasantly Lord Oxford at his house in Bedford Square. He sat facing the window of his library, posed like Whistler's mother. A grand head, strong Gladstonian nose, distinctly leonine facial angle, but an agreeable, plaintive lion about the eyes; grey lounge suit, striped shirt with loose collar and black tie, "comfortable" shoes, background of books, newspapers strewn about on floor.

What a subject for a symbolic picture — "Prime Minister of the Past looking out on Misty Morning." He displayed a nervous mannerism of running tip of tongue along upper lip as he talked to me in a deep fruity voice about the ethics of political caricature.

I said: "Mr. Asquith, you are the most patient sinner I have ever had."

He replied: "Mr. Low, that is the greatest compliment I have ever been paid."

I did not believe it, but I thought him very agreeable.

Mr. MacDonald's Ohn.

It has been alleged by "The Londoner" that in my drawings of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald I lay too much emphasis on his lower jaw. That is perhaps because Mr. MacDonald arranged it so that we had luncheon while I was studying his face, and naturally his jaw seemed more conspicuous than it might

have done under other circumstances.

In the endeavour to be both polite and businesslike, I drew with the right hand and consumed soup with the left, conversing amiably on High Politics the while.

Ramsay in the flesh has a larger face than one expects, great width across the cheek bones, very black eyes, refined hands, and earnest appreciation of all the arts, some humour, not so much wit, and—yes, I affirm it—an obstinate chin. Of course, he was agreeable.

Politicians are not, as a rule, good sitters. One learns more about them by observing them "on the wing" when they are otherwise occupied. I have never bothered Mr. Lloyd George, for instance, to pose for me, because one could never capture his elusive personality from studying his shape sitting still in a chair. The white locks, the features are all there, but the something it is necessary to capture is the whatever-it-is that moves the outfit about.

"L.G." Was Very "L.G."

My most vivid recollection of L.G. is as I saw him once, throwing his head back, pink in the face, opening his generous mouth to its fullest extent and shouting with laughter at one of his own jokes (at my expense, by the way, and not a very good one either). Hardly one feature was readily identifiable, but the whole effect was very L.G.

In private life everybody finds L.G. agreeable.

On two occasions I have omitted to eat sumptuous banquets, because sitting opposite to Mr. Winston Churchill, I have been too interested in making notes of him. Winston belongs to that sandy type—as does Mr. Baldwin—which cannot be rendered properly in black lines. He is a witty and easy to talk to, and has a genuine appreciation of the nature of caricature.

He amazed me by recalling out of his marvellous memory cartoons of the past which I am sure everyone but he and I had forgotten. Once he made me blush by advancing across a room full of people, with pencil and paper, ostentatiously pretending to make a sketch of ME.

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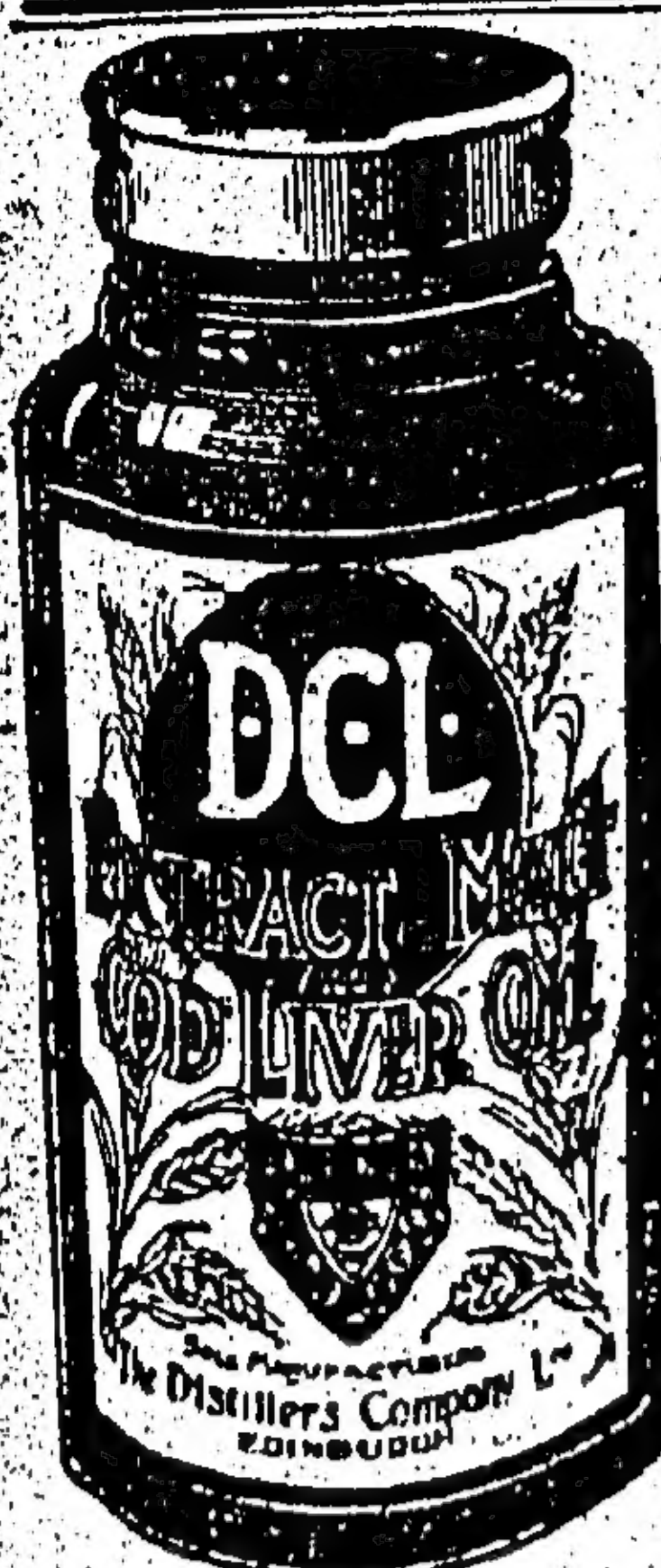
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THE TRIAL OF ALFRED ARTHUR ROUSE.

COUNSEL'S STORY OF THE BLAZING CAR MYSTERY.

EXPERT'S VIEW OF HOW THE FIRE STARTED.

One of the strangest murder trials of modern times has been that of Alfred Arthur Rouse, a commercial traveller, who was recently convicted of murdering an unknown man. Rouse sat his own car alight and hoped that the "charred body" subsequently found in it, would be taken for his own. We give the following full report from *The Times* of the first part of the opening of the Crown case by Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C., one of England's greatest advocates, who conducted the prosecution.

Mr. Justice Talbot was the judge and the case was heard at Northampton assizes.

Mr. Birkett, in opening the case for the prosecution, said the jury would hear that the remains of the unknown man were burnt beyond all recognition in a very fierce fire in a motor-car in the Hardingstone lane. But they need not be troubled at all by the fact that the remains were not identified as those of any previous living person. It made no difference in the law upon this matter, but they might regard it in the special circumstances of this case as a factor very important and most significant.

On November 6 about 10 minutes to two in the morning, two young men were returning from a dance at Northampton and were coming up the road from Northampton to where it joins the Hardingstone lane. They walked up the road until they reached the junction where the Hardingstone lane runs from Hardingstone village. It was a bright, moonlit early morning, and as they reached that junction, on the farther side of the lane from which they stood, a few yards from the signpost at the corner, they saw a rather remarkable sight. They saw the prisoner emerge from the ditch at the side of the road, hatless and carrying a small attaché case. The two men passed him and no word was exchanged.

"Very Remarkable Words."

After they had passed one of the two men said to the other: "What is the blaze up there?" pointing up the Hardingstone lane, where some 400 yards distant there was a great glare. After the prisoner had passed them for about some 15 to 20 yards Rouse said these very remarkable words: "It looks as if someone has had a bonfire up there." No appeal for help, no call for assistance, and then: "It looks as if someone had a bonfire up there."

The circumstance which the prisoner called a bonfire was the burning of his own car. At the time he spoke those remarkable words about somebody and the bonfire, there was the body of the unknown man inside that car of the prisoner's being steadily burnt beyond all recognition. That car, they would hear, had shortly before been drawn by the side of the road, where it burned and blazed, by the prisoner himself, he had shot off the engine, and put on the brake, and it would be proved, the car was in second gear. And yet at that moment his observation to these two men: "It looks as if someone has had a bonfire up there."

After saying that, the prisoner walked a few yards towards the main road, and then turned and walked to his right towards the Northampton road, and then turned and walked the other way towards Stony Stratford. Then he stood still. And that was the last that these two young men, Brown and Bailey, saw of the prisoner. Brown and Bailey walked up Hardingstone lane and saw a motor-car in flames. It was a Morris Minor saloon, on the south side of the road, drawn up on its proper side, by the side of the grass, but not on the grass. Flames, which at that time were bursting from the car, were as much as 12 to 15 feet high, and the heat was intense. When they first saw it they did not observe that anybody

When the four of them were there Police Constable Copping went as near as he could and then observed that there was the body of a human being in that intense flame. He sent for further assistance and the rest of them endeavoured to put out the fire.

When that was done it was seen that the car was almost burnt out. Photographs which would be produced would show that the car was destroyed, and certain of the brass parts melted with the intense heat. One of the most important parts of the case, having reference to what he had said about circumstantial evidence, was that the body in the car was lying face downwards, with the face on the driver's seat—the driver's seat being to the right of the car, with the bucket seat next to the driver's seat. It was lying with the right arm extended and lifted, burnt up to the elbow, and no left arm was to be seen. Eye-witnesses of the position of the body would tell about the left leg being drawn up and the right one rather extended. This evidence might strike them as being a very important factor in the case. He could not help them further as to how the body got into that position. Whether a man was stooping and fell, whether a man was placed in that position from the outside of the door, he knew not, but the position of the body, with the face resting upon the driver's seat, was a highly significant and important circumstance.

There was also found the charred heel of a boot or shoe about 4 in. to the left of the nearside running board, in line with the driver's seat on the outside of the car. Police Constable Copping discovered another thing of immense importance—a petrol can. It was empty; it was burnt in one of its seams towards the top, and the handle and the screw cap were missing. The tires upon the nearside wheels had been burnt off, while the offside front tire was intact, and there were no marks upon the car which the officers could discover at that time as indicating anything in the nature of a collision. The two officers made a very careful examination, and Constable Valentine lifted up the bonnet of the car on both sides. He found that the cap on the petrol tank was in its normal position. It was hot, but it was loose.

"A Bonfire"

"A bonfire?" Yet 400 yards away there was this terrible fire with these charred, unrecognizable remains of a man lying in the burning car. Before they advanced very far upon the narrative they had, he submitted, the most overwhelmingly significant fact—that at that hour, at that place, with a car blazing, the only observation which the prisoner made was: "It looks as if someone has had a bonfire up there," when it was his car burning, set there by him, and a car in which a human being was seated. Sergeant Harris during the morning visited the scene of the tragedy on two occasions, and at the second visit, about 1 o'clock, he found a wooden mallet lying in the grass verge about 14 yards in front of the car. He would say that when he picked it up the impression where it had lain in the grass was quite fresh, and there appeared to be hairs upon the head of the mallet.

It was a strange place to find the mallet. It was found upon one end of the head of the mallet he found a considerable amount of dirt adhering to it, and that several hairs were adhering to the mallet by means of the dirt.

He removed certain fragments of the mallet for examination, and evidence would be given by him and Sir Bernard Spillbury. The longest hair removed was a human hair, fair in colour. Other hairs were covered with dirt and it was difficult to decide the colour, but they had been broken off the head of the person to whom they had belonged and there were no definite roots. There was no blood upon the mallet nor any adhering skin, but these human hairs were there upon the mallet found only 14 yards ahead of the blazing car.

How the Fire Started.

A very important question would be how the fire started. A witness of very wide experience of fires and motor-cars, and fires generally, would say that his examination of the car indicated to him that the fire was designed and not accidental. He also said that from the intensity of the flame, its direction, its continuity, its steadiness, the most valuable, indeed almost certain, light was thrown upon the source of the petrol from whence the fire came. An expert would tell them that the union at the tank end of the petrol pipe was so loose that he could easily move it and that the nut was one whole turn slack. He would also tell them that judging from the debris of the car, there was probably a second source of petrol for the fire, and that second source was from the petrol tin which was discovered among the debris.

After instancing several causes which might be responsible for an accidental fire, Mr. Birkett said that in all those cases the engine must be running. In this case the engine was stopped. Thus the cause or cause of an accidental fire was missing in this case. A great deal of importance attached to the intensity of the fire. If they had a scattered fire up and down the car, that was one thing. If they had evidence which showed conclusively that there was an intense fire and, what was more important, a sustained intense fire—in a word, if the fire was being continuously fed—that was another matter. If they had that, they would expect to find upon certain parts of the car evidence of it. Colonel Buckle, the expert, would say beyond doubt that that evidence was here.

The windscreen frame was of brass, and it required heat of over 1,800 deg. F. to fuse brass. The brass of the windscreen in this car was so fused—but not all over—in two particular places, one at the top about 4 in. from the near side, one at the bottom about 4 in. from the near side, slightly out of the perpendicular, fused as though by a blowpipe. The conclusion to be drawn from that was that in close proximity in an upward direction there was not merely intense, but a sustained continuous flame for some time which was being replenished and re-fed. One more important point was that in regard to the gearbox casing. This was composed of aluminium alloy, and that had been partly fused by the intensity of the heat. But on both sides of this fly-wheel casing there were thin projecting lugs of the same material. They were not fused. The gearbox partly fused, the lugs, also of aluminium alloy, not fused. If the fire had come from the bonnet to the body of the car those lugs, which were not fused, would have been fused before the aluminium alloy of the gearbox.

The petrol tank was made of sheet steel situated under the seat dash inside the car. It was intact with no signs of bulging through internal pressure. The joints appeared to be in good condition. They might regard that as of great significance. From the petrol tank a pipe leading to the carburettor. At the carburettor end the union joint was tight, but had dropped away from the carburettor owing to fusing by the intense heat, and at the tank end the union was loose. Experiments had been made by Colonel Buckle showing that from that joint there was a petrol flow from which half a tumbler could be filled in just over a minute. Could it be flow unobserved? Could it be the ordinary kind of flow which you might not notice? Colonel Buckle said that it was quite impossible. He submitted that there was a deliberate loosening of that source of petrol.

He submitted that the petrol that produced the intense sustained fire which produced those results.

(To be continued.)

A CARTOONIST AND HIS "VICTIMS."

(Continued from Page 1.)

G. B. S. Does the Talking.

For all his playfulness, he is one of the few men I have met who, even in the flesh, give the impression of genius. Shaw's another. It is interesting to know that each thinks the other is much over-rated.

In the presence of Shaw I am (comparatively) mute. But that does not matter, because in any company that includes Shaw he does all the talking, which is all to the good.

Shaw has been drawn, sculpted and painted more often than any other living writer, but no artist, to my mind, has ever "got" the human being that is Shaw. They have usually been led miles astray of his mischievous cocky pose. Even the bust by Rodin which sits in his study is not good, but, as he explained to me, Rodin did it without anything about him—which sends Rodin and his methods down in my estimation.

Who does not find G.B.S. agreeable?

Also H. G. Wells.

H. G. Wells is another agreeable companion with whom it is difficult to get a word in edgewise. But he is the most stimulating talker I know. When listening to H.G. I can hear my own brain ticking. He is another of those personalities who cannot be caught sitting. He must be observed on the move.

I did most of the preliminary study for my drawing of him while he was playing that strenuous ball game of his at Easton. In between whiles I played the game myself. I can still remember the bang on the car I got.

One should have a sitting, on the other hand, before drawing Arnold Bennett. A quieter, more restful and particularly kindly personality. With his white forelock, well-shaped nose, dreamy eyes and long chin, he is best to be observed in repose.

He does not talk much, but when he does it is to the point—and the point usually is the eliciting of information. I had spoken to him for hardly ten minutes when I discovered that I had inadvertently told him all there was to be told about my methods of work, and that I was answering a leading question he had put to me about my religious beliefs.

Yes, nearly all Great Men are agreeable in private.

Beware!

"Jix" Chukies.
How could one dislike Sir Austen Chamberlain, who, when I was "arranging" him for a sitting, said to me, "Need I wear my eyeglass? I can't see very well with it."
Or Jix, whom I found one day, when I called at the Home Office, chuckling and beaming over a heap of my own most tasteless cartoons.

Jix's equanimity was once disturbed when I caricatured the early-Victorian super-statesman garments he assumed when he became Home Secretary. Jix put away in moth-balls the costume caricatured and appeared, and continued for some time to appear, in a light lounge suit with a buttonhole. Thus is history made.

"Jim" Thomas.

How could one dislike Jim Thomas, that iron man who is apparently impervious to insult? One night, by miraculous chance, I found myself seated next to him at a cinema.

"Hello, Low," he said, "that was a dirty knock you gave me last Thursday."

"Do you think so?" I replied. "It's nothing to the dirty knock that's just gone to press for to-morrow."

Fortunately at this juncture came a deafening burst of "talkies."

After twenty years I can count on the fingers of one hand the Great Men I have met and found it easy to dislike. All the rest have been agreeable. But in spite of cheerfully skin them alive in caricature whenever they seem to require it. "Fatha! are the wounds of a friend."

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"at the bottom" and gains pre-
stige in the business through his
novel ideas about advertising. He
writes successful songs which exploit
the company's product. Before
long he is a power in the industry,
and an ace in the regard of his
sweetheart, played by Claudette
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supporting cast includes George
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pearance of the most characteris-
tic thing of her reign—the "flapper"
bob. Even Clara Bow, queen of the
sisterhood, is permitting her flam-
ing red hair to grow.Now the Bow coiffure is more
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it. The red hair is now shoulder
length, and Miss Bow wears it free,
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a part of Central Park, New York,
produced as the setting, is afforded
by the "Bench in the Park" num-
ber of Universal's super-extrava-
ganza, "King of Jazz," which
comes to the Central Theatre soon.Paul Whiteman and his entire
orchestra, who star in the revue,
became film comedians as well as
the world's best-known jazz band
in this sequence of the picture.
Clever comedy "gags" have been
worked out for them by John An-
derson, who came from the New
York musical comedy stage especial-
ly to direct the Whiteman spectacle.Besides the "Rajah of Rhythm"
and his band, such well-known stage
and screen celebrities as Jeanette
Loff, Stanley Smith, William Kent,
the Brox Sisters, "The Rhythm
Trio," the Russell Market Dancers
and the Hollywood Beauties appear
in this number.As a result of a decision in the
King's Bench Division, Mr.
Halkett (the Marylebone magis-
trate) was called upon to reverse
his decision in the case against
Lady Maud Warrender and Mr.
Nathan Gordon for publishing a
lottery last January. The lottery
was the Grand National Mutual
Subscription Fund in aid of the
Ellen Terry Memorial Museum in
Surrey. Tickets were 10s. each,
and the competitors had to state
in order of popularity 12 roles fill-
ed by Ellen Terry. Prizes totalled
£2,000 and £500 went to the Me-
morial Fund. Counsel said Lady
Maud Warrender did not make a
penny profit out of the scheme,
but Mr. Gordon was paid or-
ganizer's fee. The judge said people
who admired Ellen Terry ought to
have been inclined to give 10s.
without the bait of prizes. Lady
Maud Warrender was fined 1s.
with 2s. costs, and Mr. Gordon
1s., with 2s. costs.

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11.30 a.m.—Chinese programme.
12.30 p.m.—European programme.
1.30 p.m.—Weather report, local time and Rugby Press news.
2 p.m.—Close down.
4 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7 to 11.30 p.m.—European pro-
gramme of Columbia records
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7 to 7.30 p.m.—

Variety.

Orchestral—"Gaiety Echoes."—
Herman Finck and his Orch.
Organ Solo—"Dancing with Tears
in My Eyes"—Quentin Mac-
lean.
Organ Solo—"Watching My
Dreams Go By"—Quentin
Maclean.
Descriptive Sketch—"A Music
Hall Trial Turn"—Morace Ken-
ney.
Song—"Without a Song"—Lay-
ton and Johnstone.
Song—"More Than You Know."
—Layton and Johnstone.

7.30 to 9 p.m.—

Musical Comedy.

"The Desert Song"—Selections—
Debroy Somers' Band.
"Hit the Deck"—Selections—
London Hippodrome Orch.
"The Windmill Man"—Selections—
Court Symphony Orch.

8 to 8.27 p.m.—

Octettes.

"Mignon"—Polonaise (Thomas,
arr. Robertson)—J. H. Squire
Celeste Octette.
"Mignon"—Introduction Et Rom-
ance (Thomas, arr. Robert-
son)—J. H. Squire Celeste
Octette.
"Traume" (Dreams) (Wagner,
arr. Willoughby)—J. H. Squire
Celeste Octette.
"Albumblatt" (Album Leaf) (Wag-
ner, arr. Willoughby)—J. H.
Squire Celeste Octette.
"Classica"—Selections (arr.
Ewing)—J. H. Squire Celeste
Octette.

8.27 to 9 p.m.—

Operatic.

"The Barber of Seville"—Over-
ture (Rossini)—B.B.O. Wire-
less Symphony Orch.
"Il Trovatore"—Duet (Verdi)—
Arangi Lombardi and Carlo
Galli.
"Faust"—Prelude (Gounod)—
Allan Symphony Orch.
"Queens of Sheba"—Lord Mc Year
Aid (Gounod)—Francis Rus-
sell (Tenor).
8 p.m.—Weather report, local time,
etc.

9.05 to 9.30 p.m.—

Band Music.

"Regimental Marches."—The Na-
tional Military Band.
"Voyage in a Troopship"—Regi-
mental Band of H.M. Gren-
adier Guards.
"Trooping the Colour"—Descriptive
—Regimental Band of
H.M. Grenadier Guards.
9.30 to 11.30 p.m.—Dance pro-
gramme.
11.30 p.m.—Close down.

SUNDAY

11 a.m. to 12.15 p.m.—Union
Church Service.
Voluntary.
Hymn—"How Sweet the Name
of Jesus Sounds."
Invocation and Lord's Prayer.
Scripture Reading—Isaiah, Chap-
ter 40, verses 18 to 31.
Hymn—"Praise Waits for Thee
in Zion Lord."
Children's Address.
Hymn—"I Think when I Read
that Sweet Story of Old."
Prayer.
Offertory Prayer.
Hymn—"Christ, for the World
We Sing."
Sermon—Religion—Not a Weight
but Wings; Not a Load but a
Lift.
Hymn—"They that Wait upon
the Lord."
National Anthem.
Benediction.
Voluntary.

12.15 p.m.—Chinese programme.
1.30 p.m.—Weather report, local
time, etc.
2 p.m.—Close down.

8 to 8.30 p.m.—Organ recital by
Mr. H. Longyear, relayed from
the Union Church.

8.30 to 10 p.m.—European pro-
gramme of Victor records sup-
plied by Messrs. Tsang Fook
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8.30 to 9.25 p.m.—

A Concert.

9 p.m.—Weather report, local time,
etc.
Piano Organ Solo—"Largo"
(Handel)—Mark Andrews.
Song—"Somewhere a Voice is
Calling" (Eileen Newton and
Arthur Tate)—Frances Alda
(Soprano).
Violin Solo—"Do You Know My
Garden" (Wood)—Renee Che-
met.
Violin Solo—"No One Knows"
(Gordon)—Renee Chemet.
Pianoforte Solo—"Moonlight
Sonata" (Beethoven)—Harold
Bauer.
Song—"I Hear a Trueth at Eve"
(Eberhart and Cadman)—John
McCorrack (Tenor).
Song—"At Dawning" (Eberhart
and Cadman)—John McCor-
rack (Tenor).
"Cello Solo—"Prelude" (Chopin)
and "Sievilude"—Pablo Casals.
"Cello Solo—"Nocturne in E
Flat" (Chopin and Popper).
Pablo Casals.
String Quartette—"Irish Cradle
Song" (Alfred Pochon)—Flon-
estry Quartette.

9.25 to 10 p.m.—Choir Music—
"Missa Papae Marcelli" (Mas-
simo Marcellus) (Palestrina).
Westminster Cathedral Choir.
10 p.m.—Close down.

THE NEW CUNARD LINER.

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Clydebank—Romanco, is being
woven in steel behind the tall gates
of John Brown's yard on Clyde-
bank, for there the most wonderful
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and beginning to grow up.That ship is the new Cunard
liner, the sea giant of 73,000
tons, which is to cost from first
to last more than £4,500,000.Already the whole length of her
keel has been laid down the slip-
way, and her ribs are showing.
Five hundred men are working on
the ship at present, and from now
onward that number will steadily
increase, until at the peak period
no fewer than 4,000 craftsmen will
be directly employed.The new Cunarder is occupying
the same berth as the Aquitania
did in 1913. The slipway points
down to where the River Cart joins
the Clyde, and the mammoth liner
will be launched across the width
of the Clyde and into the mouth of
the Cart in May next year.The work on the Cunarder has
brought a new spirit of hope and
optimism to the whole of Clyde-
bank. There are to-day 7,000 men
unemployed on the registry of
20,000, and gradually large num-
bers of the unemployed will be
absorbed in the shipyard."The order for the liner," said
an official of the Ministry of
Labour to me, "has checked the
tide of our unemployment here.
Without that ship I scarcely like
to think of the position in which
we should have been."

Big Steel Orders.

Not only is Clydebank benefiting
from the contract, with the cer-
tainty of steadily improving con-
ditions as the construction pro-
gresses, but other towns are already
sharing in the work.Substantial orders have gone to
Sheffield for steel requirements—
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all will be needed—while Dar-
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QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"WAY OUT WEST"

High plateaus, wide deserts,
rocky crags and the ancient pueblo
homes of the Hopi Indians form
the background for William
Haines' new talking comedy, "Way
Out West," now playing at the
Queen's Theatre.The country-club and collegiate
atmosphere usually seen in Haines'
picture gives way to scenes of
cattle-ranges and cowboy activities
with the comedian even as a self-
confident newcomer from the East
who is gradually made to realize
that he has a lot to learn about
western customs.Assisting Haines in furnishing
laughs is a large cast which in-
cludes Leila Hyams, Polly Moran,
Cliff Edwards, Francis X. Bush-
man, Jr., Vera Marsh, Charles
Middleton, Jack Pennick, Buddy
Longwell and Jay Wilsey.The comedy was directed by Fred
Niblo from an original story by
Byron Morgan and Alfred Block.

"THE GOLDEN CALF"

A spectacular cross section of
bohemian life as lived by Greenwich
Village artists and their models is
promised in "The Golden Calf,"
Fox Movietone comedy with music
opening to-morrow at the Queen's
Theatre.An all-star cast presents this pro-
duction, including Sue Carol, Jack
Mulhall, El Brendel, Marjorie
White, Richard Keene, and Paul
Pagu. Millard Webb, well remem-
bered for his productions of
"Glorifying the American Girl,"
"Gentlemen of the Press," and
many other successful picture,
directed.The story concerns the efforts of
Jack Mulhall, an advertising artist,
to find a model with perfect legs to
pose for a hosiery advertisement.
Sue Carol, his prim, puritanical
secretary, who is secretly in love
with him, discovers she has the per-
fect legs he is seeking. He will not
look at her, however, so with the
help of her friends, Marjorie White
and Richard Keene, who "dolls
up" and becomes a dashing model
who sweeps Mulhall and his
Swedish cartoonist friend, El Bren-
del, off their feet.There are 100 dancing girls who
support Miss Carol and Mulhall,
Miss White, Keene and Brendel in
their song numbers.
"The Golden Calf" is reported to
possess one of the most specta-
cular climaxes of any musical pro-
duction to reach the screen, name-
ly, the celebrated Illustrators' Ball,
which has its counterpart in life.FAMOUS BEAUTY DOCTOR
DEAD.A QUEEN AMONG HIS
PATIENTS.Screen celebrities are mourning
the death of Dr. Louis P. Berne,
the famous plastic surgeon, who, during
the course of his career, remodelled
the features of scores of promi-
nent screen, stage and social
figures.Dr. Berne, who died in New
York, was known throughout the
land as "the man with the magic
hands," who could make ugly people
good looking and good-looking folk
beautiful by the use of the surgeon's
knife.Among those who benefited from
Dr. Berne's skill have been Jack
Dempsy, who once had the famous
Dempsy nose straightened out;
Bert Lyttel, the film actor, Robert
Emmet Keene, the American actor,
Famnoe Brice, and the late Bill
Brennan, the boxer.

Wife Forgiven.

According to one report reaching
here from New York, Dr. Berne
died from heart failure. He was
engaged in remodelling the nose of
the wife of a multi-millionaire speed
boat "king."The New York Daily Mirror
states that Dr. Berne numbered
Queen Marie of Rumania among
his patients.Dr. Berne's matrimonial affairs
attracted nationwide attention in
1928, when his wife, eloped, with
friend of the couple, Mrs. Berne
and Mr. Rosenthal were arrested in
Florida, but Dr. Berne forgave his
wife, stating: "I could not forget
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ried life."

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JACK-THE-RIPPER CRIME.

WHAT THE HOME PAPERS SAY.

THE BLACKHEATH MURDER MYSTERY.

It will be remembered that Ruter cabled to us a brief account of a horrible crime on Blackheath, recalling in its nature the Jack-the-Ripper murders of a past generation.

According to the F. A. Association the post mortem on the young victim, Miss Louisa Steele, the injuries were inflicted after death and no violation took place.

TWISTED LIP MAN: POLICE SEARCH.

The high wind which has been blowing over the heath to-day has been responsible in part for a sensational new discovery in the Blackheath murder case, writes the *News Chronicle* special correspondent.

The discovery alters in many respects the reconstruction already made by the police of the murder of Louisa Steele.

Walking along the road which runs almost across the middle of the heath from the village of Charlton, a passerby noticed a large patch of blood on the muddy grass, only four yards from the road itself.

The wind had dried the rain-soaked ground, and the colour of the blood on the brown mud had become apparent.

It is on the same piece of heath-land. The body was found on a football pitch near the goalposts at the South-row end, and the patch of blood is just beyond where the opposing goalposts would stand, adjoining the road leading towards Charlton.

I understand that pieces of cloth and an overcoat button were also found near here.

In the new reconstruction of the crime it is presumed that Miss Steele, who was sent to return a book and to call at a chemist's shop in Blackheath Village, was about ten minutes to eight on Thursday night, decided to take a short walk across the heath, as she sometimes did when sent out in the evening.

The police believe that she probably walked straight on from the chemist's shop along the road leading in the direction of Charlton. Buses pass along this road, but are separated by intervals of several minutes, and on Thursday night few other vehicles were about.

The police now believe that the murderer was already here at the place indicated by the newly-found patch of blood.

He had carefully chosen his position in between lamps. Marks on the girl's neck show that she was probably seized unawares and from behind.

Dragged off Road.
Something may have been tied around her throat afterwards. She was probably dragged just off the road and on to the grass, where the savage wounds were inflicted.

The murderer, who may have been disturbed by the approach of a vehicle, probably then either dragged or carried Miss Steele further on to the heath and left her body nearer South-row, where she was found.

Was the murderer the same man who attempted to seize two other women by the throat in the vicinity of Blackheath not long before on the same night? One of those women has attended the Blackheath-road police station, where a number of men were lined up for an identification parade. It was thought that she might be able to pick out her assailant from among them, but she was unable to do so.

Blood Tests.
To-day pathologists have taken a sample of blood from Miss Steele's

I am officially informed that the police are still hoping to get into touch with the man whose description was given in the *News Chronicle* this morning, and which was broadcast by Scotland Yard. This individual, who has come to be known as the Man with the Twisted Lip, was heard quarrelling with a crying girl on the heath on Thursday night, not far from where Miss Steele was found.

A Twisted Lip.
I understand that man named J. Stanton, who lives at Sheerness, and is employed in this district, has told the police that on Saturday he saw a man with a twisted lip.

The stranger, who wore a dirty soft hat and a light mackintosh was in a coach that was going into Kent. According to Mr. Stanton, the man entered the coach at Woolwich and left it before reaching Sheerness.

Many people have come forward with statements, but up to now the man referred to in the broadcast has not been traced. A search for a man with a twisted lip supposed to have been seen on the heath to-day proved fruitless.

Edgar Wallace's View.
People in Blackheath have taken the greatest interest in Mr. Edgar Wallace's suggestion that the murderer may have been the man who murdered a girl named Trew not far from here 12 years ago, a crime for which a soldier was convicted, although he had always maintained his innocence.

People who remember the crime agree that in many details it coincides with the Blackheath murder.

CALL FOR A NEW PHOTOGRAPH. "RECONSTRUCT ONE."

Four days have elapsed since the nude body of Miss Steele was found mutilated on Blackheath Common, and despite all its efforts Scotland Yard is no nearer to the identity of the murderer than on Friday morning.

Every clue which has come to hand has been worked out, hundreds of possible "ends" have been explored, but all to no avail.

Scotland Yard—though the authorities will never admit it—is baffled, the position, for the moment, is a deadlock.

Experienced detectives who have left the force after long and meritorious service confirmed the opinion expressed in the *News Chronicle* yesterday that the last five hours of Miss Steele's life hold the key to the mystery.

Surely, argued one of them, somebody must have seen Miss Steele after she left her employer's house and before she died. Perhaps in a restaurant, at a cinema, or standing talking at a street corner. It is hardly likely she would have been for five hours on the Common unless she was in company of a man in whom she had implicit trust.

A new phase of the inquiry might be opened if the Yard issued a reconstructed picture of Miss Steele as she would have appeared when she left her employer's house.

A written description of the girl cannot convey to every mind the same picture. If Miss Steele's reconstructed picture were issued to the Press it is more than likely that several people might come forward and say they saw her—perhaps in someone's company. Among the statements might be the vital clue. It is worth trying.

(Continued on next Column.)

"LET MY RACKET ALONE."

MODEST DEMANDS OF AL CAPONE.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Al Capone, king of gangsters, predicts that prohibition will disappear within five years.

"Prohibition has done nothing but make trouble for all of us," he told Mrs. Eleanor Patterson, editor of the *Washington Herald*. "It is the worst thing that has ever hit this country. If I say I give it no more than another five years, then I'm right, you bet!"

Capone feels very deeply that he is the victim of long and unjustified persecution.

"It is like this," he remarked, rather plaintively. "I don't interfere with big business. None of those big business guys can say that I ever took a single dollar from them. I only want to do business with my own class. I don't interfere with their racket. Why can't they leave my racket alone?"

Tax Charge.

"But there they are—always after me, trying to 'frame' me. They got me 'framed' in Chicago. Now, if I don't answer this 'framed' income tax charge, they are going to try and trump up a charge of vagrancy against me. It ain't fair."

During the conversation an airplane swooped down low over Capone's palatial estate.

"Aren't you afraid that one of those things will drop a bomb here one of these days?" asked Mrs. Patterson.

"Well, one way or the other," replied Capone, shrugging his shoulders.

Mrs. Patterson describes Capone as "one of those prodigious Italians with the neck and shoulders of a wrestler, thick chested, almost six feet tall, with gigantic hands, which, superficially, seem soft from easy living. Nevertheless, they are beautifully manicured."

During the interview, Mrs. Patterson adds, Capone served lemonade, while eight bodyguards ranged silently in the background, smoking, reading, and unostentatiously following their principal through the house while Capone exhibited his luxurious furnishings and splendour.

"Picture-Clue."

It was a picture—reconstructed unofficially and broadcast throughout the country by a picture paper—which led to important evidence in the Bournemouth murder case when Miss Irene May Wilkings, of Streatham, was killed by a Boncompagni chauffeur at Southbourne in December 1921.

The present inquiry is handicapped by the lack of information. It is usual in murder cases for the police to be sowed under with possible clues—but this case is proving the exception.

This must not be taken as a reflection on the energy, initiative or efficiency of the Murder Squad working on the inquiry. They have spared no pains, neither have they spared themselves in their search. Yesterday some of them were looking heavy-eyed for want of sleep. But they will not give in. The death of Miss Steele must not be allowed to join the already too long list of unsolved murder mysteries.

SAW CLERGYMAN THROUGH WINDOW.

THREATENED TO TELL THE BISHOP.

A CORDER ON THE TORTURE OF "WICKED OFFENCE."

Sentence of ten years' penal servitude was passed at the Old Bailey on Arthur Michael Fisher, aged 29, of Walnut Tree-avenue, Wilmington, Dartford, Kent, who pleaded guilty to blackmailing a clergyman. The clergyman's name was not mentioned, and he was referred to as "Mr. X." Mr. Gerald Dodson, prosecuting, said that in February, 1930, Fisher, who was working on a ladder at an adjoining house, saw Mr. X in a compromising situation through the window. He immediately seized upon it to turn it to commercial purpose. He approached Mr. X and said, "What are you going to do to hush it up?" Mr. X replied, "This is blackmail." Fisher then said, "It is a mild form of blackmail, it is true. Blackmail usually continues, but in this case \$5 would settle it."

Mr. Dodson said that the payments began with a sum of £2. It was not a mild form of blackmail, but a pernicious kind which progressed. The payments went on until Mr. X, a single man with an income of about £250 a year, had been "bled to the extent of £100."

Threats in Writing.

Finally matters came to a head when Fisher was bold enough to make his demands and threats in writing. In one of his letters he threatened, if money was not paid, to "see father—and failing him the bishop, and then they would know what sort of a hypocrite you have been."

Mr. X then had the courage to go to the police and Fisher was arrested.

Divisional—detective—inspector Askew said there were several minor convictions against Fisher for assault and other offences.

Mr. X had made nine personal payments by April and 14 payments afterwards as the result of letters and personal interviews.

Fisher, in a statement, asked for leniency, and said he had acted more like a fool than a criminal.

The Recorder (Sir Ernest Wild, K.C.), passing sentence, said that Fisher had pleaded guilty to what he regarded as a felony only next to murder in its gravity.

"It is moral murder," Sir Ernest continued, "murder of the soul. You found at the beginning of last year a clergyman in his own room not doing an illegal act but one which had it been known to his parishioners and friends, would have militated against his value in their eyes as a Christian teacher, and one which to him would seem even more serious than it might to the ordinary man of the world."

(Continued on next Column.)

CHURCH NOTICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL,
HONG KONG.
FEBRUARY 22, 1931. 1st Sunday in Lent.
Holy Communion at 8 a.m.
Holy Communion (Peak Church) at 8 a.m.
Children's Service at 10 a.m.
Matins, Litany and Sermon at 11 a.m.
Preacher—The Dean.
Subject—"Mahomed or Christ?"
Evening at 6 p.m.
Special Notices.
Lectures followed by discussion at 8.30 p.m.
Subject—"Psychology and the Validity of Christiana Experience."
Speaker: Rev. B. A. Armstrong, B.A.

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TERMS.—CASH ON DELIVERY.

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RIO GRANDE OVERFLOWS.

WIDE TRACTS OF LAND FLOODED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Buenos Aires, Feb. 20. Torrential rains in the province of Cordoba have caused the Rio Grande to overflow its banks.

Wide tracts of land are flooded, and a number of persons were drowned.

Rail and road traffic is interrupted.

The Government has despatched troops to carry out relief work in the flooded area.

ROYAL TOURISTS IN BOLIVIA.

GREAT ENTHUSIASM IN LA PAZ.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Feb. 19. The Prince of Wales and Prince George received an enthusiastic welcome to Bolivia when they disembarked at Sucre this morning from the steamer Inca, in which they had crossed Lake Titicaca from Peru.

Later the Royal visitors left for La Paz.

Speech in Spanish by Prince of Wales.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

La Paz, Feb. 20. The Prince of Wales and Prince George arrived by train and were enthusiastically welcomed by thousands.

The Provisional President, General Blanco Galindo, decorated them at the Palace with the Grand Order of Condor of the Andes. The Prince of Wales delivered a speech in Spanish dwelling on Anglo-Bolivian friendship.

WORLD'S WATER SPEED RECORD.

ANOTHER BRITISH QUEST IN ARGENTINA.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Feb. 10. Kaye Don, who will make an official attempt on the world water speed record at Buenos Aires early in March in the motorboat "Miss England II," leaves Tilbury tomorrow for the Argentine in the liner Andalusia.

In trials on Lough Neagh, Kaye Don reached over 100 miles an hour on three-quarters throttle.

In August, "Miss England II" will take part in the race at Detroit for the British International Trophy.

"Miss England Second" an Unknown Quantity.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, Feb. 20. Kaye Don sailed for Buenos Aires to defend the late Sir H. Segrave's water speed record in Lord Wakefield's motorboat "Miss England II," during the international motorboat regatta arranged in connection with the British Empire Trade Exhibition.

Kaye Don, in an interview, pointed out that "Miss England II" has never been driven at full throttle, and nobody could say what she can do when going all out.

KNIGHTHOOD FOR BRITISH RACING MOTORIST.

CIVIC RECEPTION TO CAPT. CAMPBELL.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Feb. 19. H.M. the King has conferred a Knighthood upon Captain Malcolm Campbell, who returned to Britain to-day from his record-breaking feat of attaining a speed of 248 miles an hour in his Napier Blue Bird motor car at Daytona.

He reached Plymouth this morning in the Mauretania and continued the journey by liner to Southampton, where a civic reception and banquet awaited him.

The news of his honour was conveyed to Capt. Campbell in a note from the Prime Minister, handed to him immediately the Mauretania reached Southampton. The aide said: "I am glad to inform you that His Majesty has been pleased to approve that the honour of a Knighthood be conferred upon you."

Prime Minister's Praise.

The Prime Minister's message expressed his personal congratulations. In an interview, Capt. Campbell said that he wished the United States aspirant for the record the best of luck. If a speed of 300 (Continued on next column.)

VICEROY-GANDHI INTERVIEW.

NO PROPOSALS AND NO COUNTER-PROPOSALS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

New Delhi, Feb. 19. Mahatma Gandhi had a further interview to-day with Lord Irwin, after which the Congress leader held important discussions with members of the Congress Working Committee.

It is thought in political circles that Gandhi's *power-parley* with the Viceroy will be suspended for a few days to enable Lord Irwin to obtain an opinion on the results achieved so far from London.

Gandhi to-day denied a rumour that Lord Irwin had submitted counter-proposals.

He said that there had been no proposals and no counter-proposals.

SPOTTED FEVER OUTBREAK IN BRITAIN.

EIGHT DEATHS AT ALDERSHOT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, Feb. 19. The civil, naval, and military authorities are actively engaged in coping with an outbreak of cerebro meningitis (spotted fever), particularly in barracks, which has so far caused eight deaths in Aldershot.

The precautions include the disinfection of all regimental dances and inter-regimental sports, the closing of cinemas, the discouragement of indoor gatherings and the encouragement of outdoor games.

Cases have also occurred in other military commands.

LATER.

In the House of Commons this afternoon Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Minister of Health, stated that 272 civilian cases had been reported during the past 11 weeks, and added that it had been well established that overcrowding in barracks, schools and other institutions had favoured the spread of the infection, but no notable example of it has hitherto been discovered.

FRENCH DEBT TO GREAT BRITAIN.

FRANCE STILL OWES LARGE SUM.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Feb. 19. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying to a question in the House of Commons, said the net war debt of France to Great Britain in 1929, on the date of signature of the funding agreement, was £200,000,000.

The value as at the same date of the annuities payable calculated at five per cent, was £227,000,000. On that basis, 65 per cent of the debt was remitted.

ENGLAND TO CAPE FLIGHT RECORD.

ARRIVAL AT BULAWAYO.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Feb. 19. Flight Lieutenant Rose, who left Lympne last Wednesday in an attempt to set up a new record flight between England and Cape Town, but was delayed in the early stages of the flight, arrived at Bulawayo to-day.

He expects to complete the flight in just over nine days at an average of 250 miles daily.

Miles per hour, which it was stated the new car would achieve, were reached, he would attempt to go on better and regain the title.

The Blue Bird had not done her fastest yet. Visibility was one of the greatest obstacles to be overcome by future record-breakers.

Capt. Campbell will leave Southampton for London tomorrow and a great popular welcome is in preparation.

The Government reception will take place in Westminster Hall.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, Feb. 19. A Knighthood has been conferred on Captain Malcolm Campbell, who received a warm reception on his arrival in London this afternoon.

PRIME MINISTER APPEALS TO WORKERS.

EMPLOYERS' SUGGESTIONS MEAN WAGE "CUTS."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, Feb. 19. An appeal to employers and workers to maintain a good relationship and avoid conflicts during the present depression, was made by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Prime Minister, at a meeting this afternoon of deputations successively of employers' organisations and the Trade Union Congress.

The meetings revealed fundamental differences of opinion as to ameliorative measures.

Employers recommended efforts to reduce British costs of production, also emergency measures, including a one-third reduction in wages, a drastic alteration of the conditions for benefit, and the revision of Government wage levels.

The trade unionists contended that the suggestions of the employers would involve wage "cuts" and a serious curtailment of the social service, which organised workers were striving to improve.

COVENANT OF THE LEAGUE.

BRITAIN APPROVES HARMONY WITH PARIS PACT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Feb. 19. The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Arthur Henderson, stated in reply to a question in the House of Commons that the Government had informed the Secretary General of the League that they continued to support wholeheartedly the principle involved in the proposal to bring the Covenant of the League into harmony with the Pact of Paris, and that they are ready to join with other members of the League in accepting the amendments put forward by the First Committee of the recent assembly, subject to the proviso that the ratification of these amendments on behalf of the United Kingdom will be made dependent on the entry into force of a general treaty for the reduction and limitation of armaments.

As regards the general position of the members of the British Commonwealth of Nations, he recalled the conclusions reached on this subject during the Imperial Conference and said that the Government would doubtless address the Secretary General of the League in a similar sense.

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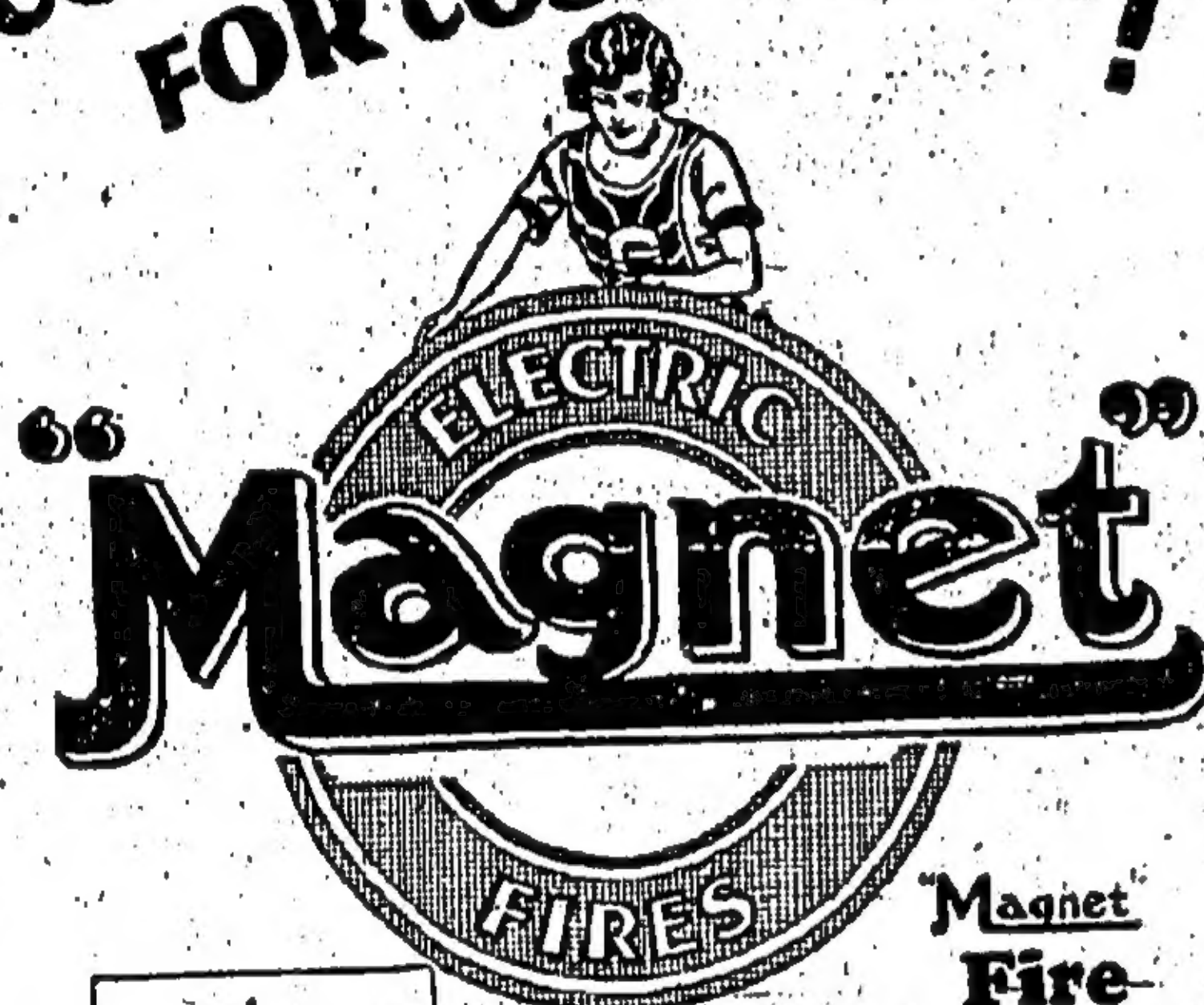
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HONG KONG'S POOR.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETY'S WORK FOR 1931.

AN APPEAL TO THE COMMUNITY.

The Hong Kong Benevolent Society held their annual meeting at the City Hall yesterday when it was stated that the calls upon the Society during the past year were a sad reflection of the depressed and changing conditions in the Colony.

Gifts of money, clothing, bedding, furniture, etc., it was indicated, were badly needed by the Society. Mr. P. S. Cassidy presided, and in addressing the meeting, said that for many years he had taken an interest in the work of the Society, and during the past two years had seen something of things behind the scenes, and had been able to appreciate the discreet and sympathetic manner in which the Committee dealt with the cases which came before them. He thought the Colony could congratulate itself upon having such untiring workers who did so much charitable relief—a responsibility which the community was inclined to shirk.

Mr. Cassidy hoped the public would appreciate the work of the Society and that, through its report, would obtain a glimpse of how ably it administered its work for those who were "down and out." He felt he must extend a word of congratulation at their having such an efficient and untiring secretary as Mrs. McCormack.

The Chairman appealed for a big increase in subscribers, and pointed out that it was essential that they should have more funds in order to cope with the increasing number of cases. He appealed for very liberal support both in money and clothing, adding that the annual subscription of \$12 was but a meagre sum.

Eye on Malingering.

The report stated that the calls upon the Society during the past year had been a sad reflection of the depressed and changing conditions in the Colony. Numerous cases had had to be carried throughout the year on account of ill-health, notwithstanding periodical review, and an almost suspicious eye to possible malingering. It was most fortunate there had not been calls for large amounts for passage money, less and less was being given each month, in temporary relief on first application, in an endeavour to discourage the begging type who were not in real distress, and regular monthly allowances had only been made after the closest investigation.

An appeal was made to the various Consulate for assistance in investigating the cases of their nationals. During the year 705 cases had been paid to the City Hall, as against 408 last year, \$2,947.09 had been paid out in relief as compared with \$2,041.46 in 1929, an increase of \$2,905.63. There were 73 new cases—60 in 1929.

Education Aid.

There had been an increasing request for assistance with education, though the figures showed a decrease of \$116.30—\$3,700.90 being expended in 1929 and \$3,293.00 in 1930. Only \$95.30 was required for passages this year, as against \$3,145.31 in 1929.

In conclusion, the Society stressed that while money was the great essential for its work, gifts of clothing, bedding, furniture, etc., were asked for, but "work" was the cry of so many.

Mr. Beavis' Speech.

Addressing the meeting, Mr. Beavis said: "It is with much pleasure that I move the adoption of the report and accounts of this Society for the past year."

I should like to explain, for the information of those who may not be aware thereof, that the General Charities Organisation was founded a few years ago for the special purpose of acting as a connecting link between the different charitable associations in the Colony. In this connection the Charities Organisation has undoubtedly proved its usefulness in collecting data as to the activities of the various charities and in preventing overlapping and unnecessary work.

Generous Public.

The Hong Kong public is generous, and in my experience there is never any lack of support in all cases where a special appeal is made, and the reason why our subscribers' list is not larger is, I am sure, merely because so many persons require the stimulus of a personal application. That, of course, (Continued at foot of next column.)

ARRESTED AFTER TWO YEARS.

LAICHIKOK ROBBERY RECALLED.

The case in which Fung Ping is charged with assaulting Wong Sik Chuen at 60, Laichikok Road on March 27, 1929, during an attempt to commit a robbery, was continued before Mr. H. R. Butters, at Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday and after a fairly lengthy hearing, the defendant was remanded till Monday.

Wong Yuet Fong, daughter of the complainant, giving evidence, said that at about 8 a.m. on the morning in question, she was in the kitchen when she noticed a man going into the front cubicle which at the time was occupied by the defendant. An hour later, three other men went into the front cubicle where they remained for a time and then rushed into the dining room where the family were having a meal and held them up. Two of the men were armed with pistols, two had revolvers while the fifth was unarmed. They tried to gag her father and when he struggled, they stabbed him on the head.

"Save Life."

The whole family then raised a chorus of "save life" and on hearing this the robbers bolted.

Witness went on to say that she was present at an identification parade at Wanchai Police Station on January 4, when she picked out the defendant, and concluded by saying that previous to the attempted robbery, the man had stayed in the cubicle with his wife for about a week. The woman, however, left the flat on the night before the outrage.

After a Chinese constable had given evidence of the arrest, Inspector Fallon went into the box and said that at about 9.30 a.m. on March 27, 1929, he received a telephone message to the effect that an armed robbery had occurred at 60, Laichikok Road. He went to the address where he found Sub-Inspector Munro and other police officials. The former handed him two automatic pistols and also two daggers. The pistols were of French make and were fully loaded.

"I Am Not Guilty."

When asked whether he would like to go into the box or make a statement in the dock, the defendant elected to do the latter. He said: "I am not guilty. I have been mistaken for somebody else. I have been looking very much alike. I have lived in Whitfield Road for over a year and I ask that some enquiries be made from my principal tenant and my neighbours. They know that I have lived there for so long. That is all I have to say."

He was then remanded as above stated.

MARIA GOMES.

VOCAL RECITAL ON FRIDAY.

Miss Maria Gomes who is giving a song recital at the Helena May Institute on Friday next, February 27, has sent us some of the excellent Press notices which she received in America, excerpts from which we give below:—

The Pasadena Star News says:—"A golden voice of gorgeous volume with a wide range and even quality throughout." The Los Angeles Times:—"Has a voice of rare quality and sings with splendid diction and musical interpretation." The Alabama Post Advocate hails her as an "accomplished musician."

Miss Gomes will give an interesting programme including popular operatic and old English songs at her recital on Friday.

It will be realized, is not possible, and the Society must depend upon the general public, which is made at our annual meeting. I hope that those whose attention will be drawn to the account of these proceedings will consider it in the light of such personal application and will respond accordingly. If they have not already done so, by forwarding to the Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. H. E. Goldsmith, No. 223, The Peak, the annual subscription of \$12, or any other sum by way of donation, or if preferred, the life member's subscription of \$50.

Officers Appointed.

Mrs. Smalley, Mrs. Carrie and Mrs. Prior were elected as new members of the Committee, and the retiring members were re-appointed. It was stated that invitations had been extended to the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. T. H. R. Shaw, Father G. M. Spada and Mr. H. Wath to serve in an advisory capacity, the first three named having accepted, whilst replies were yet to be received from the others.

expressed by the Chairman that Mrs. Doddwell would enjoy a successful year in her office as President, and that she would have the co-operation of a hard-working committee.

AIMEE McPHERSON AT SHANGHAI.

DAUGHTER SAYS: "MOTHER HATES REPORTERS."

Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson, the well-known Pacific Coast evangelist, arrived in Shanghai accompanied by her daughter, Miss Roberta Semple, and registered at the Cathay Hotel. Mrs. McPherson, who is in poor health, proved a difficult person to find, after landing, from the Dollar str. President Wilson. She was finally traced to a shop where she was buying linen, where her golden rod hair gave her identity away to searching reporters. Miss Semple endeavoured to head off the interviewers.

"You know mother hates the sight of reporters," she said, "they've said such cruel things about her, and she has had a nervous breakdown and mustn't be upset. I'll answer your questions."

Miss Semple, a beautiful girl of twenty years, stated that her mother would probably make no public appearance while in Shanghai. "She has been so sick, you know, and is living on saline solution."

Her missionary representatives, Mrs. E. Lawler, and Miss E. Lawler, met her at the boat house, and it is possible that the visiting evangelist will preach, informally at a missionary gathering before she leaves for Hong Kong where her daughter was born twenty years ago, a month after her husband's death there. Mr. Semple was a missionary. If the Hong Kong weather agrees with Mrs. McPherson's delicate health, she will probably visit there for some time before going on to Manila and thence to India. Shanghai's climate is much too strenuous to permit her lingering for long here and she will sail in a few days.

In a Nervous State.

After solemnly promising Miss Semple that they would not frighten or annoy her mother a group of Press representatives were allowed to have a brief glimpse of her. Although obviously unwell and strain, her mouth twitching and her hands trembling, Mrs. McPherson is a striking good looking woman. She was dressed yesterday in a grey velvet coat and a little chiffon velvet cap almost the exact colour of her hair. She is quite tall and very slender. She spoke but a few words to her visitors, including the dubious compliment that they were rather nicer than the general trend of reporters, before it became obvious that tears were not far in the offing. With a discerning glance her daughter-nurse motioned her interviewers to be off, which in the circumstances was the only course to take.

Publicity As Ever.

In spite of Mrs. McPherson's nervous condition and her stated desire to stay out of the public eye, she telephoned to the Fox Film, and asked to have a talking picture made of her while she is here. Although the Fox Company has not the necessary equipment to make such a film it is understood that another local film company will do so. N. C. Daily News.

CHINESE ARTS.

EXHIBITION OPENS TO-MORROW.

The Chinese in Hong Kong have in recent years paid more attention to the arts, and for this reason the Y.M.C.A. has summoned artists from Hong Kong, Shanghai and Canton and has arranged an exhibition to take place at the Y.M.C.A. to-morrow and Monday. The following are the more important of the exhibits:—

Chinese penmanship: Messrs. Wu Han, Min, Yu, Yau, Yau, Yoi Ki Cheung, Tang, Chung, Kwo and others.
Chinese paintings: Messrs. Ko Kim, Fo, Ko, Ki Fung, Pau Siu Yau, Lai, Kung, Chai, Li, Fung, Kung, Ng, Mui, Hok, Lai, Tai, Ho, Yiu, Shuk, Yek, and others.
Occidental paintings: Messrs. Lau, Hoi, Shuk, Pui, Yek, Leung, Yau, Toi, Ming, Chan, Wang, Lai, Long, Luk, Ng, Mui, Hok, Yoi, Pui, Hung, Luk, Tai, Ching, and others.
Embroidery Work: Mrs. Pau Siu Yau and others.
Photographic Display: Messrs. Li Shung, Lok, Kwong, To, Wan, Lai, Leung, Ching, Ping and others.
Messrs. Ko Kim, Fo, Ko, Ki Fung, and Li Fung Kung are well-known artists in Chinese painting.
Messrs. Lau, Hoi, Shuk, and Pui, Yek, Leung, Yau, Toi, Ming, Chan, Wang, Lai, Long, Luk, of the School of Arts, are also well-known artists.

Yau, of the Yau Ching School of Arts in Hong Kong, Mr. Yau Toi, Mr. Ng, Mui, Hok, and Luk, Tai, Ching, of the Chung Wah School of Arts, Mr. Chan, Wang, of the Bai Nam College are all very good.

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NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK.

CHAIRMAN REVIEWS THE DEPRESSION.

INSTITUTION'S SOUND POSITION.

Mr. C. E. Mitchell, Chairman of the National City Bank of New York, in the course of his speech at the annual meeting of Shareholders on January 13, said: "The total resources of \$1,044,244,322.84 and deposits of \$1,460,031,330.01 exceed those of all previous year-ends except the record figures of 1929. Net earnings for the year were \$21,336,734.43 as compared with a figure of \$20,897,841.66 for 1929. Out of these profits was applied, according to our fixed rule, a contingency reserve of \$2,422,748.44, dividends of \$14,520,000 were paid, and after the usual year-end adjustments a balance of \$4,904,065.27 was carried to undivided profits. While the earnings are less than reported a year ago, the difference can be more than accounted for by the lower interest rates prevailing through the year."

It is gratifying to know that, in spite of the depressed conditions prevailing in practically every foreign country, the operations of the foreign branches show approximately the same profit as in the record figures of last year. In the Greater City of New York twelve new branches were opened during the year, bringing the number of domestic branches to forty-nine.

The year was the greatest in the Bank's history in the development of its thrift activities. In New York City and in our foreign branches Compound Interest (thrift) deposits reached a new peak of approximately \$127,000,000. The number of Compound Interest depositors throughout the world reached 562,000, an increase of about 16 per cent. In New York City the number of depositors is more than 281,000, an increase of 18 per cent.

The Industrial Depression.

The industrial depression which began in the last half of 1929, has proved to be much more severe and widespread than was anticipated in business circles one year ago. The break in the stock market, upon which interest chiefly centered in the last two months of 1929, was only one factor in the situation and not the most important one. The world-wide fall of commodity prices, particularly prices of farm products and raw materials, has been the outstanding feature of the year's developments, and it is evident that this has been mainly due to conditions which had their origin in the economic disturbance caused by the war.

No such disruption of economic relationships as that caused by the war ever had been known in modern, highly organized society. Enormous derangements resulted from forced adaptation to war conditions, and afterward from return to peace conditions. These readjustments began with the short collapse of 1920-21, but the situation was temporarily stabilized

ed by the imperative needs for production in Europe and the vast expenditures required for reconstruction, rehabilitation of industry, and of housing everywhere.

An increase in the productivity of industry, and the development of new fields of industrial activity would not cause a business depression if it came about in a normal manner, but the changes of recent years have been so rapid and violent as to cause confusion and demoralization.

The additions to the gold stock of the United States resulting from the war, besides supplying a basis for foreign loans, were the basis of a great expansion of domestic loans upon farm lands, city real estate, and stocks, and thus promoted a rise of prices which could not be sustained in view of the proportion of speculative holdings, and the 1929 collapse resulted. The forced selling of such holdings and the continued decline of prices, while a depressing influence in the situation, does not signify that in the past year a deliberate reappraisal of these properties or of the future of American business has been made. It signifies only a reaction from an over-extended speculative movement.

Disappointments of 1930.

The past year has been one of repeated disappointments, because the scope of the disturbance was fully comprehended. During the second half of the year the curtailment of expenditures of all kinds, on the part of consumers, distributors and producers, was very pronounced. The first effect of these economies undoubtedly was to intensify the depression, but the intent of each individual has been to strengthen his own position, and if everybody accomplishes this, the ultimate effect must be to strengthen the general situation. This process is the reverse of that by which, through individual expenditures and debt-making, the general situation became seriously involved. It has been a year of debt paying on a great scale, which necessarily means curtailment of purchases, and a check upon enterprise, but also means that when this policy has run its course new and sustained buying power will appear in all markets. Gradually the new conditions will make themselves felt. A new state of mind also will be developed, more sane and constructive than that which ruled in the boom period. This attitude of mind is likely to be reflected in the bond and security markets even before the industrial recovery is perceptibly under way.

At the moment, there is little basis for a prophecy of speedy recovery, but judging by past experience it would seem that the volume of business has fallen as low as it is likely to go that replacements may be expected at least to maintain the present level, and that as the industries take the measure of the conditions with which they have to deal, a general revival of activity will gradually develop.

For the business man who has a clear understanding of the difficulties in which the present situation is involved and a determination to adapt his policies to the conditions, the future surely will afford opportunities for great success. Unquestionably this country is going forward.

SINO-BRITISH TRADE RELATIONSHIP.

BRITISH ECONOMIC MISSION ENTERTAINED BY CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

SIR E. THOMPSON ON IMPROVEMENT OF TRADE.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce were hosts yesterday at the Kam Ling Restaurant to members of the British Economic Mission and members of the Government at a Chinese banquet.

The Chairman of the Chamber (Mr. Li Yick Mui) in the course of a brief speech pointed out the pre-eminent position of British trade in the past and added that owing to foreign competition it has declined considerably in recent years. He welcomed the members of the Mission and hoped that by their visit a better Anglo-Chinese trade will result.

Sir Ernest Thompson replying on behalf of the Mission voiced the hope that the present trade depression will soon pass away. He added that China could look to Great Britain for practically anything she required during the period of reconstruction.

BRITAIN'S ASSISTANCE PROMISED.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Chairman, Mr. Li Yick Mui, said:

You members of the British Economic Mission and officials of the Hong Kong Government have done us a great honour by favouring us with your presence here to-night as it gives us members of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce the opportunity to extend to you our most sincere greetings and at the same time to cultivate your acquaintance.

Hong Kong being the last place on the programme of your visit to the Far East, to-night's gathering is the last opportunity we, Chinese merchants may avail ourselves of to extend to you our heartiest and warmest welcome. You will, therefore, permit me to say a few words to commemorate to-night's occasion, as well as to wish you a bright and prosperous future.

Since China was opened during the late Ching Dynasty to international trade, foreign goods began pouring into China from every direction. In South China British goods used to enjoy the greatest sale as they were the most popular. As a free port for nearly a hundred years, Hong Kong, with its facilities for transshipment and warehousing, has become the centrepiece of Sino-British trade and as such has become one of the most flourishing and prosperous cities in South China.

Hong Kong and British Trade.

In view of the fact that British goods have to rely on Hong Kong for distribution and that on the other hand it is by virtue of British goods that Hong Kong largely derives its prosperity, the importance of the relations between the two will be easily realized. Their interests are so identical and their fate so interwoven that the rise or fall of the fortune of either cannot but have its repercussion on the other.

As a small merchant of Hong Kong myself, I would like to see the prosperity of Hong Kong and the increasing sale of its goods. I venture to say that such a hope is not only mine alone but that it is also shared by all Chinese merchants here. Since the close of Great War things, unfortunately, are not what they used to be. Since then the trade of Hong Kong has declined considerably as compared with former days, while the import of British goods has also greatly fallen off.

Piece-Goods Trade.

For example, let us take piece-goods which constitute the biggest item in British exports to China. Of the total volume of imports of all foreign piece-goods in China, Great Britain used to claim 70 per cent., while other countries together could claim only 30 per cent. But the reverse is true to-day.

As regards the volume of other British products, most of them have not increased to any extent, while some have even declined. It is difficult to retain their former position. Under these circumstances British products, I am afraid, will not be able to compete successfully with

those of other countries unless determined efforts are made to seek necessary improvements and alterations.

It is, therefore, most fortunate that you members of the Mission have made a timely move by coming out here to make personal investigations on the spot. It is my sincere hope that, having travelled thousands of miles to come out to China, and having visited all the important ports and cities throughout North and South China, you will turn into good use what you have seen and heard during the present visit and devise a plan of improvement and reforms with a view to regaining the lost ground of your China trade.

Hopes for the Future.

With your clear foresight, with your keen sense of discernment and, lastly, with your powerful resources, coupled with the careful and thorough investigations carried out during your present visit, there is not the slightest doubt that you will attain your end in the not distant future.

Inasmuch as whatever increase you will be able to bring about in your exports to China will indirectly and correspondingly contribute to the prosperity of Hong Kong, any improvement you gentlemen of the Mission may achieve as the result of your present visit will benefit not only Anglo-Chinese trade, but Hong Kong also.

I therefore lift my glass to drink to the health of the members of the British Economic Mission and the unlimited expansion of British trade.

SIR E. THOMPSON'S REPLY.

Sir Ernest Thompson, in reply, said—I have first to thank you very much for the invitation which you sent to our Mission and I want to tell you how much we appreciate the honour of dining with you this evening. We appreciate this honour very much because we know that it brings us in close touch with the leading Chinese merchants in Hong Kong.

You have said that this is the last opportunity you will have of meeting the members of our Mission. I want also to say that this is our last night out. We have had many occasions and many invitations to dine in different parts of China and this is the last occasion on which our Mission will go out to dinner. We are also very glad indeed that we shall be able to remember what an exceedingly good Chinese dinner has been put before us to-night.

Mr. President, you have warned us that to succeed successfully we must seek improvements and alterations. Possibly one thing you had in your mind was the same thought that was in the mind of the President of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce when we dined with them the other evening when he said that China is a price market. This was very much emphasised I noticed in the local Press on the following day. I think I can say on behalf of my colleagues that we have been told this so very frequently that I think we must surely have sufficient evidence to prove the truth of that saying. I think I may also say that at all events that point of view will receive the very special attention of our Mission.

Perhaps, sir, you had other improvements and alterations in mind and if so we shall carefully search through the advice which has been given us from all quarters of China and see whether we can use that advice in order to introduce alterations for the benefit of our trade. I should like to say here that it is a great pleasure to me to be able to acknowledge the very great help which we have received in all parts of China from the various Chinese Chambers of Commerce. (Hear, hear.)

We have received a great deal of assistance from them, from the dealers, from the merchants, and, in fact, we have received kindness and assistance from the whole Chinese community in whatever part of China we have been.

Whatever changes may be made and in whatever way we persevere in our trades in China I think it is in the interests of all our trades at home to keep in as close touch as possible with the Chinese consumer. I believe and I certainly more than hope that the present times will change. I hope that the present depression which has been passing over not only this country but others as well will soon pass away. It is surely our business to perfect our plans and to improve our machinery in whatever direction we can so that we can take much and full benefit when these improved times come.

With China a peaceful country we feel quite certain that there will be a return to great prosperity here and that necessarily will make a great improvement in the economic situation. I hope that with such a change we shall not always have to look upon China as a price market. I hope that by a better standard of living that there will be a better standard of purchases and that you will buy many of the class of articles that we in the United Kingdom make better than in all the countries of the world. (Hear, hear.)

Britain Willing to Help.

During this time of reconstruction I think it goes almost without saying, how willing we are to help in every possible direction. Whether that direction is a direction of finance, whether it is the direction of material or in what other way it is, I think you will find Great Britain very willing indeed to do everything that is possible. (Hear, hear.)

I think that the friendship of Great Britain for China is such a real thing that you may look upon practically anything that you wish in our direction. Just as I claim that about this friendship I want to claim your co-operation and your help in the efforts which we have to make to secure again for ourselves a better place in our trade with China.

When I say that I want to claim this co-operation and help I think I may say, judging from the treatment which we have received over here, I feel quite sure that we shall receive it.

In conclusion, Mr. President, I should like to say just one word about the importance of the work of Chambers of Commerce. I look upon the work which they can do as of the utmost importance to the commercial community. There are always difficulties in trade—sometimes I am afraid there are disputes—but I know what other Chambers of Commerce do and I am also sure that your Chamber of Commerce does everything that it can do to help in difficult matters.

You said in conclusion what I should like to re-echo; that it is our hope to do anything for the improvement of trade and we have done it not only in China but in Hong Kong while we are here, so that we can give that point special attention when we come to prepare our report.

I ask my friends to drink to the health of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. (Applause.)

CANTON BUS SHOOTING AFFRAY.

PASSENGER FIRES REVOLVER AT INSPECTOR.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, Feb. 20.

A Chinese in military uniform shot and wounded a bus inspector in Canton yesterday while the latter was pressing him to pay his fare. The man refused to pay, and a brawl followed, ending in a shooting affray. The inspector had requested the passenger to present his certificate, which was refused, and sharp words were exchanged. The passenger then drew a revolver and opened fire on the inspector. The inspector at once dashed out of the bus after a bullet had struck him in the head. The wound, however, was not a serious nature. The miscreant continued to fire but without effect. One of the shots pierced a board of the bus and hit a tyre beneath, causing it to explode.

The police arrived on the scene shortly after the gunman had fled.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[All letters intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not for publication, unless so desired, but as evidence of good faith.—Ed.]

POPSY AND THE CONFIDENTIAL DOLLARS.

(TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS.")

MY DEAR EDITOR.—Tubby says that now they've altered the Liquid and Tobacco dues I ought to keep the household books on a sterling base because the place will soon go gold and I don't wonder. He explained everything beautifully and I took the Comptroller's book this morning and multiplied it by eleven and a bit—and divided it by twenty and then went down to the shop and offered him over so many confidential dollars and told him how they were worth one and eight-pence each and that all he had got to do was to multiply by twenty and divide by that eleven and a bit and that if there was anything over he could send us a boiling chicken and some Brussels sprouts.

I am sure I got it all right because we should have made nearly eighty dollars and I could have had that new hat and Tubby had said the Government's idea was to make money, but the Comptroller did not seem to understand properly and after trying it on that absurd thing and rattling the beads a lot got all muddled and would not take the money, so I've sent him a cheque instead and they'll explain and put everything right for him when he goes to the bank. I think the Government ought to write to the Comptroller and people and tell them in Chinese all about it just like Sir William did with the civil servants and then everybody would understand how much better off they were. We shall save no end on our books this month.

And my dear, did you read that letter by that dreadful person who positively wants to do away with the Military Distribution?—too crude, my dear. Besides look at all the money they bring into the place and how beautifully they dance and whoever could grudge a few dollars for them and besides Tubby says that quite obviously we shall only pay confidential dollars for them because they're imported, so they'll cost practically nothing.

And Tubby says it's all wrong what that other man wrote about our being lightly taxed and what's Income Tax got to do with it because you need never pay in England.

—Yours
POPSY.

Hong Kong, February 20.

BANK-NOTE TRICK AGAIN.

CULLIBLE WOMAN IN ALLEGED SWINDLE.

HOW THE CONFIDENCE TRICKSTER WORKS.

A well-dressed Chinese woman appeared as complainant before Mr. W. Schofield at Central Magistrate yesterday in a case in which a Chinese was charged in connection with the well-known banknote trick.

Relating the circumstances under which she came to part with over \$200, the woman said that about 7 p.m. on February 10, she went to a money changer and there produced four \$50 notes one of which she tendered to the shop, obtaining \$15 in Canton currency and receiving \$38 odd in change.

On her way back home, a youth accosted her and asked her if she could direct him to West Point. He said he was anxious to find his uncle as he had picked up a wad of banknotes and wanted to entrust it to his uncle's care. As he said this he produced a wad of what appeared to be \$100 notes. At this stage it is alleged the result of which was that the three of them all showed an anxiety to change the notes.

Offer to Change the Money.

The defendant is alleged to have claimed that he knew a certain firm of money changers and offered to take the youth there but the latter refused to go to the particular shop mentioned because he feared some of the folk might recognise him. Eventually the defendant offered to change the money for the youth from his own pocket and produced what appeared to be banknotes from a pocketbook which he carried. The woman was asked if she had any money which she could contribute in order to facilitate the changing and she said she had \$30 in notes. This she produced and the defendant is alleged to have taken charge of it.

When the youth saw the notes he indicated that he wanted silver dollars. In order to be able to talk things over calmly it was suggested that they should go to the Empress Cafe to discuss the matter. The woman accordingly went there but, according to her story in Court, only after it had been pointed out to her that to leave the boy alone with all the money would mean allowing him to jeopardise his life.

At the cafe an arrangement was made to whereby the youth packed up his notes in a handkerchief which was to be entrusted to the woman to be changed into silver dollars. The woman, not suspecting any trick, readily agreed to pack her money into a bundle to be given the youth as security. She produced \$30 in order to be lodged as such security but the youth seemed to know that she had more money with her and asked her to produce all her money lest any of it should get mixed up with the youth's money. She accordingly produced \$150 in all.

Her Jewellery Also.

Relating the circumstances under which she came to part with her jewellery the woman said that the youth suggested that in the event of there being any dispute as to the ownership of the "find" it was almost certain that the people would side with the woman since she was so well dressed and since she showed so much signs of property. The defendant is alleged to have suggested that, in fairness to both parties the woman should remove her jewellery, a suggestion to which the woman assented, handing a gold wrist-watch and a ring to the defendant.

After they left the cafe, a place of appointment was made where the woman could, after she had changed the youth's money, come back and hand it over to him to receive her money and jewellery back.

On the way to the money changer the woman began to feel suspicious and she then, for the first time, examined the parcel for which she had parted with so much. She discovered that it was merely a roll of newspaper.

The hearing was adjourned.



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[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, Feb. 20. A message from Fusan states that a fire broke out in one of the first-class cabins of the P. & O. liner Khiva, bound for Dairen, yesterday afternoon when off the Korean coast.

Part of a deck was destroyed and the cargo seriously damaged before the flames were extinguished.

There were no casualties. The liner is continuing under its own power.

WANG SHAO HUNG RETURNING.**DEPARTED FROM SHANGHAI ON THURSDAY.**

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

Shanghai, Feb. 20. General Wang Shao Hung left here for Hong Kong en route to Kwangsi yesterday morning.

It is understood that he will probably proceed to Canton to call on General Chen Ming Shu before returning to Kwangsi.

Mr. Wu Ting Yang, who accompanied General Wang Shao Hung to Nanking as one of the Kwangsi delegates, is remaining at Shanghai.

In an interview with Pressmen, Wu Ting Yang said that as soon as General Wang returns to Kwangsi, Pei Chung Hsi, Li Tsung Jen and Chang Fat Fui will surrender their military commands and go abroad. Revenue collected in Kwangsi was estimated at about \$50,000,000 a year, and the programme of military reorganisation and disarmament is commenced in the near future, the Kwangsi financial budget will be balanced.

WORLD FLIGHT ENDS AT CROYDON.**MRS. VICTOR BRUCE AND HER AUTOGRAPHED AEROPLANE.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, Feb. 20. After a world flight of 27,000 miles from London to Tokyo and back via the United States, Mrs. Victor Bruce arrived at Croydon Aerodrome at noon escorted from Lymington by Miss Amy Johnson and Miss Winifred Spooner, the well-known airwomen, and was welcomed by Mr. Montague, Under-Secretary for Air.

Her aeroplane was covered with the autographs of well-known people throughout the world, including Al Capone's autograph.

CHINA PRESS UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP.**SHANGHAI BUSINESS MEN AS DIRECTORS.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Shanghai, Feb. 20. It is announced that the China Press has passed from the hands of Sopher Brothers to a group of Shanghai and North China business men.

The names of the principal new owners have not been disclosed, but the board of directors includes Major Chauncey Holcomb, Mr. W. H. Donald, Mr. W. T. Findley, Dr. E. L. Marsh, Mr. T. P. Chang, manager of the Shun Pao, Pan Tso Chuen, Yang Wei Ping and Mr. Hollington Tong, the last named as managing director.

JAPANESE CONCESSIONS IN CHINA.**NEGOTIATIONS AFTER PEOPLE'S CONVENTION.**

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

PEIPING, Feb. 20. According to information elicited from the Japanese Legation, the Japanese Government does not agree to the commencement of negotiations with the Chinese Government regarding the retrocession of the Japanese Concession at Hankow until after the close of the People's Convention, which is scheduled to be held in May under the direction of the Nanking regime.

According to another report, the Japanese Government is agreeable to the retrocession of the Japanese Concessions at Chungking, Shashi, Soochow, and Hangchow under certain conditions in the near future, while the problem of returning the Japanese Concessions at Tientsin, Anhui, Linning and Changchun to China could not be discussed at present owing to differences of opinion between the two nations regarding terms governing rendition.

NANKING'S LABOUR UNION LAW.**WORKERS OPPOSE SUPPRESSIVE MEASURE.**

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

CANTON, Feb. 20. Disaffection is expressed by the Canton leading labour unions with the new Labour Union Law issued by the Nanking Government some time ago.

The Union of Railway Workers of the five railways in Kwangtung (Canton-Kowloon, Canton-Samshui, Yuet-Han and Chingchow-Swanow Railways) and the Union of Mechanics have jointly issued a statement opposing this new law, which they regard as being designed to suppress the labour movement.

CHINA INDEMNITY BILL.**BRITAIN'S MUNIFICENCE TO CHINA.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 19. The House of Commons today passed the third reading of the China Indemnity Bill, which involves the gift to China of over \$3,000,000.

Dr. Hugh Dalton, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, accepted a Conservative amendment that the Board of Trustees should contain British members, but declined to agree to a Liberal amendment, which was later withdrawn, that no payment should be made toward purchasing railway material and demanding an arrangement as regards arrears of interest on Chinese railway loans, which are now in default.

Dr. Dalton argued that the latter amendment meant that British workmen would be kept idle until numerous people, not all of them Britons, received their "pound of flesh" by interest on the bonds. There would be further negotiations with Dr. C. T. Wang, the Chinese Foreign Minister.

Dr. Dalton then moved an amendment, which was accepted, dealing with grants from the Fund to Chinese Universities. It provides, firstly, for a mutual exchange of Chinese and British men and women lecturers; secondly, to assist Chinese students in the United Kingdom to find hospitality; thirdly, to advise them on their studies; fourthly, to encourage and facilitate the teaching of the Chinese language and literature in the United Kingdom; fifthly, generally to encourage a close intellectual co-operation and to promote British and Chinese cultural relations.

REUTER'S STAFF APPOINTMENTS.**JOINT EDITORS-IN-CHIEF.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 20. Mr. A. H. Coules, senior editor of Reuters, and Mr. Rickatson-Hart, head of Reuters's New York Bureau, have been appointed joint editors-in-chief in London, and Mr. D. O. Pendrigh associate chief editor.

DUTCH WHEAT GROWING.**GOVERNMENT AID FOR THREE YEARS.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE HAGUE, Feb. 20. The Chamber, by 23 votes to 20, authorised the Government to assist the Dutch wheat growers by ordering that for three years 25 per cent. of Dutch wheat or flour must be ground or mixed with similar imported grain.

U.S. SOLDIERS' BONUS BILL.**INVOLVES HUGE LOAN OPERATIONS.**

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19. The Senate has passed the Soldiers' Bonus Bill (already approved by the House of Representatives) empowering veterans holding adjusted compensation certificates to borrow from the Government 50 per cent. of their face value instead of the present 25 per cent.

Mr. Mellon recently declared that the Bill would involve loan operations totalling \$200,000,000 in the next two years.

President Hoover is expected to veto the Bill, but he will probably be overridden by the two-thirds majority of Congress.

OBITUARY.**MR. FRANK C. EMERSON.**

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

CHEYENNE, Feb. 19. The death has occurred of Mr. Frank C. Emerson, the Governor of Wyoming.

TIN PRODUCTION AND EXPORT.**LEGISLATION BY MALAYA AND NIGERIA.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 20. In the House of Commons, at question time, Dr. Drummond Shiels, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, stated that the Government approved in principle of the Governments of Malaya and Nigeria legislating to regulate the production and export of tin from March 1, subject to the Secretary of State being satisfied with the details of the International Scheme upon negotiations with the representatives of the Dutch Indies and Bolivian Governments and an understanding that the working of the Restriction Scheme is controlled by a committee of representatives of the four Governments concerned, whereby the interests of the consumers are protected against any excessive rise in price.

Mr. G. R. Strauss (Lab.) asked how frequently the quota might be varied.

Dr. Shiels replied periodically, but the actual periods would be settled after consultation with the international interests concerned.

EMERGENCY IN AUSTRALIA.**LABOUR DEMAND FOR DECLARATION REFUSED.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CANBERRA, Feb. 20. A delegation from the Australian Council of the Trade Union Congress at Sydney arrived to demand a declaration of a state of national emergency, which was refused by Mr. Scullin, Mr. Theodore and Mr. Brennan, Attorney-General.

AUSTRALIAN MINISTER'S THREAT.**UNPOPULAR COMMONWEALTH TREASURER.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CANBERRA, Feb. 19. The Minister of Trade, Hon. Mr. J. E. Fenton, has told the Labour caucus that unless the Treasurer, Mr. E. G. Theodore, withdrew from the Cabinet he would vote against the Government when the Parliament re-assembled.

FOKKER AEROPLANE CRASH.**MACHINE DAMAGED BUT AIRMEN UNHURT.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PRAGUE, Feb. 19. A Dutch Fokker aeroplane, engaged in the mail service to the East Indies, crashed near Krado, Bohemia.

The two airmen were unhurt, but the machine was damaged.

FORD'S NEW POLICY.**FIVE DAY WEEK AT WORKS.**

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, Feb. 19. Wall Street brokers cheered the report that the Ford Motor Company had introduced a five day week after running a three day week for two months.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN RETURNS TO LONDON.**THOUSANDS GREET CINEMA STAR.**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 19. Thousands of people thronged the approaches to Paddington Station this afternoon and accorded Charles Chaplin a great welcome to London.

In the forefront of the crowd were the companions of his boyhood days.

He greeted them warmly and assured them that he would make an early visit to his birth-place at Lambeth.

LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE.**ILLEGAL TO OPEN CINEMAS AT HOME ON SUNDAY.**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 19. The Home Secretary, Mr. J. R. Clynes, stated in Parliament today that he was in consultation with the leaders of other political parties regarding the opening of cinemas on Sundays, which a Court recently declared to be illegal, contravening the 150 years' old Lord's Day Observance Act.

HOW THE TROUBLE STARTED.

A smart young typist, Miss Millie Orpen, recently set the ball rolling by bringing an action, as common informer, against the proprietors of a number of West End cinemas, on the ground that they were breaking the law by opening on Sundays. She was upheld by a London Police Magistrate, from whom the case went to the Divisional Court.

JUDGES' UNYIELDING ATTITUDE.

Then the Appeal Court confirmed the judgment, which was reported as follows in the Home Press:—

"The doctrine that, because a certain number of people do not like an Act and, therefore, do not obey it is obsolescent is a dangerous proposition to hold in any constitutional country."

So long as an Act is on the Statute Book the only way to get rid of it is by repeal.

Lord Justice Scrutton made this statement when delivering judgment in the Court of Appeal by the London County Council against a decision of a King's Bench Divisional Court that a rule for certiorari should issue against the Council with regard to the opening on Sundays of cinema theatres and picture houses within their jurisdiction.

Lord Justices Greer and Slesser, who sat with Lord Justice Scrutton, also upheld the decision of the Divisional Court, and the appeal was therefore unanimously dismissed, with costs.

The litigation concerned the legality of a decision by the Theatre and Music Bill Committee of the London County Council to permit the Astoria Cinema, Stratford, to open for public performances on Sundays on certain conditions, one of which was that the profits should go to selected charities.

The Entertainments Protection Association, Ltd.—a body of theatre and music-hall proprietors—had obtained the rule, alleging that the Council had permitted a contravention of the Lord's Day Observance Act, 1781, by allowing the cinema to open.

"Revolutionary."

That, it was argued, was an administrative matter not subject to certiorari.

Lord Justice Scrutton, giving judgment, said that the appeal raised questions of some public importance.

He continued:— "There is an Act still on the Statute Book, unrevoked, of 1781, called the Sunday Observance Act, and the main enactment in that statute was that 'any house, room or other place used for public entertainment or amusement to which persons shall be admitted by the payment of money on the Lord's Day shall be deemed to be a disorderly house.'"

There seemed to be no doubt that the Act anticipated certain subtle and crafty devices to get round its provisions, but the revolutionary proposition seemed to have been taken before the London County Council—although counsel did not presume to put it forward in argument—that if an Act became obsolescent, it could be disregarded.

Money for Charity.

He then made the statement given above, and said that for a considerable time the London County Council had adopted a system which, looked at in cold blood now, was very difficult to understand.

"They grant," said Lord Justice Scrutton, "to the owner of a cinematograph theatre a licence on the ground that he shall not open on Sundays. They then frame a series of rules providing for permission to open on Sundays, and that is a thing which the licencees cannot do according to their licences, and which is illegal, according to the Act of 1781."

"But in making it possible to open on Sundays the licencees have to pay money to the Council, and when it is ready to pay this money they (the London County Council) say, 'We will not at present prosecute, providing you pay this money.'"

(Continued on next column.)

JAPAN'S LABOUR UNION BILLS.**MEASURE TO CONTROL INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, Feb. 20. The Labour Union Bill recognising the right of workers to organise and resort to collective action within specified limits was presented today by the Government in the Lower House.

Hitherto the unions have existed only on sufferance and no legal recognition has been accorded them.

For the purpose of allaying the fears of the capitalists, the Government is also preparing a complementary Bill aiming at the control of labour disputes.

INVESTIGATION OF DUMPING QUESTION.**LEAGUE OF NATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 19. A Geneva message states that the Economic Committee of the League of Nations has appointed a sub-committee to examine the dumping question.

"There is a certain degree of humour in providing an elaborate system of rules in applying for permission to open on Sundays."

"According to the London County Council they do not grant permission to open; yet they prepare an elaborate series of rules for doing so. When the London County Council come to see it they may think that the view they are taking of the position verges on the ridiculous."

"Must Obey the Law."

"In my view," he concluded, "the Council, like many other important bodies in this country, must obey the law as laid down until Parliament alters it. Neither the London County Council nor any other such body has the authority to dispense with the performance of the law as laid down in the Statute Book."

Lord Justices Greer agreed, and in the course of his judgment said: "It is said that charity covers a multitude of sins, but I have never heard that when an illegal thing is done for charitable purposes it becomes lawful."

Lord Justice Slesser said that the Council had acted unlawfully, irregularly, indefensibly, and illegally by seeking to give permission to break an Act of Parliament and their own regulations.

KING ALFONSO'S BRILLIANT VICTORY.**REPUBLICANISM HOPELESSLY DEFEATED.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MADRID, Feb. 19. After a five-hour meeting, the Cabinet issued a statement announcing the immediate holding of municipal elections, with universal suffrage (which is an innovation), and then a General Election to the Cortes Constituyentes, which will revise the Constitution.

In the meantime, the Government proposes to revalorise the peseta, to sift thoroughly the whole régime of the Dictatorship and fix responsibility therefor, and to submit to the Cortes a special scheme embodying a measure of self-government for Catalonia.

The brilliance of King Alfonso's victory becomes more evident as the days reveal that his opponents have at least temporarily been "counted out."

Although the Socialists and Republicans doggedly refuse to admit defeat, the genius of Old Spain for organising risings and political upheavals seems to be dead, and the finest opportunity ever presented to the opponents of the monarchical régime has been hopelessly bungled.

King Alfonso offered the formation of a Cabinet to his bitterest enemy, Señor Sanchez Guerra, and even permitted rebels in goal to participate in the deliberations. Their failure has shaken the foundations of Republicanism, and no longer can critics of King Alfonso accuse him of blind indifference to the demands voiced by national opinion.

EAST ISLINGTON BY-ELECTION.**MRS. MANNING AT TOP OF POLL.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 19. The result of the by-election at East Islington, caused by the death of Dr. Ethel Bentham, is as follows:—

Mrs. Manning (Labour) 10,591
Brigadier-General Critchley (Empire Crusader) 8,314
Miss Canalet (Conservative) 7,182
Major Crawford (Liberal) 4,450

There is thus no Party change in the Division, Labour having won at the General Election by a majority of 2,277 votes.

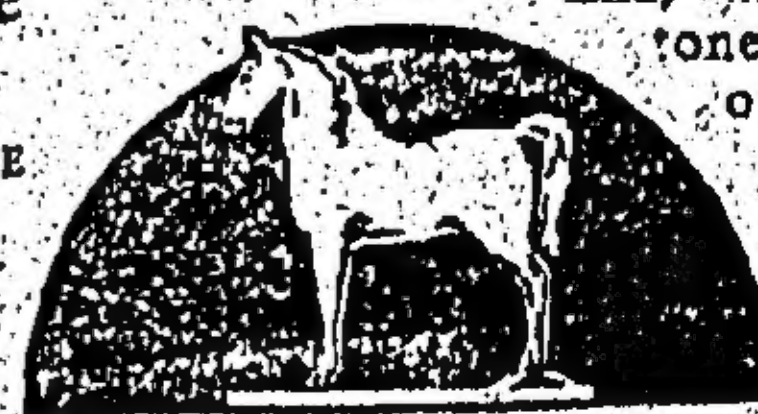
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Sports News

TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL.

MEETING OF SHANGHAI AND CHINESE.

KEEN GAME ANTICIPATED.

At 3.30 p.m. on the Club ground to-day, Shanghai's soccer representatives will be opposed by the local Chinese. P. O. Gregory will have charge of the game and the following are the probable teams:—

Shanghai:—Chow, Munro and Road; Peto-Hunt, Gash and Vance; Elliott, Collaco, Sinclair, Widmore and Graham. Gutierrez (or Murphy) is likely to be considered as a left-winger in case Graham is not playing.

Chinese:—Pau Ka Ping (South China); Tam Kwong Pak and Li Tin Sang (South China); Leung Yin Chan (South China); Wong Shui Wah and Lam Yuk Ying (Athletic); Ip Pak Wah (South China); Lee Wai Tong (South China); Fung King Cheung (South China); Sun Kam Shun and Chan Kwong Yu (Athletic).

It will be noticed that seven South China players and four from the Athletic are included in the opposition against the visitors. Chan Kwong Yu's return to the fold will be hailed with delight by the thousands of Chinese spectators who will be present to watch the meeting of their nationals with Shanghai, which in the past has provided keen sport.

With Chan on the left wing and Ip Pak Wah on the other, the inside trio are expected to provide a thrilling game. Fung King Cheung will be in his proper position at centre-forward and much will be expected of him in the goal area. Shanghai will have a severe task in holding the speedy forward line of the Chinese in check, while the Chinese defence appears to suffer nothing in comparison with the visitors' own defence in the inter-club match which played such a part in their victory. The general impression is that the Chinese will win by a good margin.

League Matches.

There being no senior League matches, the seconds are booked in a number of matches, all of which are likely to be carried out. The junior games started at 2.45 p.m., and the fixtures are as under:—
Recreio v. H.K.F.C., King's Park, Navy v. Athletic, Stadium.
R.A. v. St. Joseph's, Sookunpo, University v. Borderers, Athletic ground, H.V.
South China v. Kowloon, Caroline Hill.

The most interesting fixture is the Navy-Athletic match. It is expected that the Navy will take the points to strengthen their leading position. The Borderers, their close rivals, should also make sure of the points.

SIM SHIELD HOCKEY.

ROYAL NAVY IN STRONG POSITION.

The Royal Navy further enhanced their chances of winning the Sim Shield by defeating the Army in a close game by the odd goal in three at King's Park on Thursday. They have won three games, and have now only the Club to play. Should they win or draw, the trophy will be theirs, but if they lose they will tie with the Club for the honour of possession.

The sailors started off in fine style and before the half-time whistle had sounded they scored twice. In spite of this the soldiers played pluckily and a fine goal by Macfarlane reduced the deficit, but that was all they could manage and when time was up the sailors were winners in what proved to be an excellent game.

Match With the Club.

The Navy will play off their final game with the Hong Kong Hockey Club on Wednesday, February 23, at 4.30 p.m. on the U.S.R.C. ground. The following have been chosen to represent the Club:—
G. Duncan, J. Rogers, A. R. Botelho, M. W. Turner, A. A. Dand, J. Noronha, H. Owen Hughes, G. E. R. Dwyer, R. W. Skipp, C. F. Nichols, and G. P. Lammer. Reserves: T. J. Price and G. R. Moore.

WEEK-END SPORTS FIXTURES.

GAMES AND PLAYERS AT A GLANCE.

The following fixtures have been arranged for to-day and to-morrow:

CRICKET.

League: Division I.
Kowloon v. Craigengower.
H.K.C.C. v. Royal Navy.

Division II.

Craigengower v. Kowloon.
C.S.O.C. v. Police.

Friendlies.

Royal Signals v. H.K.C.C.
Home teams are given first and the matches begin at 2 p.m.

Teams.

The following will be the Hong Kong C.C. team:—

1st XI.—T. E. Pearce, A. C. I. Bowker, A. C. Beck, A. Reid, E. R. Duckitt, O. E. C. Marton, K. H. Butler, E. J. R. Mitchell, H. Owen Hughes, J. R. Hinton and W. Rigg.

2nd XI.—H. J. Armstrong, G. E. Bowker, A. C. Beck, A. Reid, E. R. Duckitt, O. E. C. Marton, K. H. Butler, E. J. R. Mitchell, H. Owen Hughes, J. R. Hinton and W. Rigg.

HOCKEY.

Caer Clark Cup.

Kowloon Ladies v. St. Andrew's (Y.M.C.A. ground, 3 p.m.).
Recreio v. D.G.S. (Sookunpo, 3.30 p.m.).

The teams for the Recreio-D.G.S. match will be:—
D.G.S.—M. Mason, K. Grosse, E. Wood, A. Mogra, M. Maude, E. Banker, J. Jorge, S. Wong, M. Smith, G. White and I. Lee.

Club de Recreio.—O. Botelho, C. Silva, L. Silva-Netto, A. Alves, M. Remedios, L. Xavier, M. Alves, E. Rosario, M. Baato, C. Osmund, and B. Remedios.

The St. Andrew's team will be:—

R. Rose, J. Rogers, P. Woolley, M. White, I. Gittins, E. Wood, P. Gittins, E. Landolt, M. Woolley, N. Field and A. Wood.

The Y.M.C.A. II. teams for their matches will be:—
Y.M.C.A. II. v. H.K.L.H.C., at King's Park at 3 p.m.—W. J. Spoecher, R. Dormer, L. Tipler, S. Sweet, A. Bates, L. Macey, H. Muller, W. H. Smith, Dr. Ashton, W. J. Brown and F. Parker.

Y.M.C.A. II. v. H.M.S. Kent, at King's Park at 4 p.m.—H. P. Key, R. Dormer, L. Tipler, S. Sweet, G. Mitchell, F. Allen, R. A. Bates, A. Tate, W. H. Smith, Dr. Ashton, W. J. Brown and F. Parker.

HUNTING.

Fanling Hunt:—Hounds meet (Kennels), 3.15 p.m.

RACING.

Sunday: Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Gymkhana (Kwanti).

ATHLETICS.

Annual Athletic Sports of the University at the Pokfulam Recreation ground, commencing at 1.30 p.m. sharp.

4,000 AT PING-PONG BANQUET.

TO OPEN WORLD TABLE TENNIS GAMES.

A banquet at which 4,000 people are to attend in Budapest, to open the world's table tennis championships, nearly fell through because England could not be represented. The Hungarians possess all the championships at table tennis which nation.

The Hon. Iver Montagu, who is president of the English Table Tennis Association, explained the situation.

"Although we are the largest association in the world, our resources are limited," said Mr. Montagu.

"The Hungarian authorities were greatly upset when we suggested that our team would not be able to arrive for the banquet, and a renewed invitation was so pressing that arrangements have been made enabling the English team to attend the banquet and play in the championships."

LAWN TENNIS.

JAPANESE ACES IN ACTION.

A THRILLING SINGLES.

Jiro Satoh and Hye Satoh, two of the three members of the Japanese Davis Cup team for the year, were seen in action at the Hong Kong Cricket Club courts yesterday afternoon. Their appearance excited tremendous interest, as evidenced by the great crowd present, whom they delighted with first class tennis. As expected, they gave a very polished exhibition keeping the gallery interested for three full hours, and maintaining a high standard of play throughout, while they upheld their reputation by beating the local players in all matches, the final results being:—

H. Satoh beat Honda, 9-7, 6-3.

J. Satoh beat Khoo Hooi Hye, 6-3, 5-7, 6-4.

J. Satoh and H. Satoh beat H. D. and S. A. Rummah, 6-3, 6-4.

J. Satoh v. Khoo.

The match between J. Satoh and Khoo turned out to be the best of the day. It reached a very high standard, at times the exchanges being thrilling, and as the match progressed the struggle for the issue proved to be very exciting. Khoo showed up very well after a bad start, losing the first five games, but thereon picked up splendidly matching his opponent in all aspects of the game. He really got into his stride about the middle of the second set, when at 2-4 down he made a remarkable recovery by taking 3 games at a stretch, and eventually taking the set at 7-5. He forged ahead in the final set and delighted the gallery by leading 4-2, but at this critical stage Japan's No. 1 came into the picture once again and demonstrated his superiority, and although meeting with very stiff opposition pulled the game out of the fire by a remarkable rally in which he took the next four games to end the match in his favour.

Japan's No. 1 certainly gave a very impressive performance throughout. Local players could learn an instructive lesson merely by watching him getting into position to play the ball. He hit with grace and good timing and finished with a fine follow through. Of good build, he possesses a service which, while not particularly deadly is pretty difficult to return on account of its deepness, accuracy and angle. His drives are penetrating, and he seems to delight in sending them along the side-lines. These tactics apparently suited Khoo, who after recovering from the shock in the early stages of the match was able to anticipate better later, returning Satoh's hard drives with great severity and time and again driving past the Japanese with deadly forehand drives. Satoh had one obvious weakness. He failed to mix his attack by occasional cross-court drives, and had it not been for Khoo's mistake in attempting to win points by short balls which Satoh invariably killed the match might have gone to the Chinese.

Of the two, Khoo's forehand proved to be better; but Satoh demonstrated superiority, as was to be expected, in the other departments of the game. The latter's smashing from all parts of the court was a delight to watch, while Khoo found difficulty in retrieving backhand shots.

Satoh really turned the tables on Khoo in the final set by worrying the latter's backhand which broke down gradually under persistent and forceful attack. Khoo, however, is to be congratulated on his splendid performance against a player of such ability.

Honda Extends H. Satoh.

In the first game of the afternoon T. Honda gave a very creditable performance against H. Satoh. Japan's No. 3 found the local champion able to match him point for point. Honda forged ahead with a lead of 5-3, but then the visitor having got used to the ground conditions, retaliated by drawing level. Honda, however, held his own and stretched his opponent to 9-7 in the first set. The local player raised leading 3-0 in the second set, but that proved his final bulk, demonstrating all-round work killing with deadly accuracy, while their ground strokes were distinctly superior also.

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GOLF.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

STARTING TIMES FOR TO-MORROW.

9.05 a.m. H. Spicer and O. B. Rigg.
9.10 " Not to be booked by travellers on train.
9.20 " A. F. Judd and K. Robertson.
9.24 " L. Yates and H. C. Shrubsole.
9.28 " W. F. Simmons and J. R. Collis.
9.32 " D. Fraser and P. Sykes.
9.36 " F. M. Hartley and O. R. M. Andrew.
9.40 " P. Dullea and J. B. Richardson.
9.44 " G. B. Lang and K. K. Rigg.
9.48 " J. K. Masson and O. C. Roberts.
9.52 " J. R. Ashworth and J. Forbes.
9.56 " E. R. Hallifax and A. B. Lawrie.
10.00 " L. A. R. Duncan and E. P. Fletcher.
10.04 " J. Allison and G. T. May.
10.08 " A. O. I. Bowker and G. D. Nicholl.
10.12 " A. R. Penn and W. N. Dwyer.
10.16 " D. J. Gilmore and C. R. Priestley.
10.20 " H. U. Ireland and R. M. Henderson.
10.24 " A. N. Macfadyen and Q. A. A. Macfadyen.
10.28 " A. O. Brown and W. L. Shields.
10.32 " W. F. Sewell and J. R. Forbes.
10.36 " S. A. Seth and H. A. Lammer.
10.40 " S. J. H. Fox and H. Hampton.
10.44 " G. P. Holo and L. R. Andrews.
10.48 " E. Stone and W. A. Weight.
10.52 " J. P. Hollingdale and J. H. Davy.
10.56 " A. P. Purves and E. Des Vaux.
11.00 " R. Young and D. S. Robb.
11.04 " A. H. Ferguson and C. R. Johnson.
11.08 " C. B. Brown and A. G. Coppin.
11.12 " H. Lowe and D. J. Keogh.
11.16 " A. R. Selby and H. R. Rigg.
11.20 " W. R. Vallance and A. Leach.
11.24 " G. E. Mitchell and E. M. Brydon.
11.28 " J. P. Sherry and W. C. Clark.
11.32 " N. K. Littlejohn and J. Dykes.
11.36 " W. S. Hillier and J. White.
11.40 " G. B. S. Thomson and D. S. Edward.
11.44 " G. Walsh and T. Black.
11.48 " L. D. Smith and E. S. Johnson.
11.52 " W. H. B. Rigg and F. O. B. Black.
11.56 " S. A. Sleep and G. A. Plummer.
12.00 noon G. Thompson and D. G. McAvoy.
12.04 p.m. N. A. Tharpe and M. G. Marriott.

KOWLOON GOLF.

TIMES FOR THE "MEAD" SHIELD.

The following are the times allotted for the "Mead" Shield which is being played over the Kowloon City Course to-morrow:—

9.30 a.m. A. Urquhart and D. S. Green.
9.35 " A. E. Silkstone and A. A. Dand.
9.40 " F. E. Lawrence and W. J. Carroll.
9.45 " F. Zimmerman and F. E. Skinner.
9.50 " J. C. Lyl and W. Goldenberg.
9.55 " J. Smith and B. D. Evans.
10.00 " L. Elford and S. Jex.
10.05 " T. Grant and J. Macintosh.
10.10 " A. V. Finson and Charles Brock.
10.15 " G. J. Roe and F. Goodwin.
10.20 " V. C. Labrum and S. Greenwood.
10.25 " L. Jack and A. J. Kew.
10.30 " E. C. Fincher and A. Hyde Lay.
10.35 " W. Hyde and L. Goldman.
10.40 " H. W. Page and H. Gvery.

Singles will be played in the morning and foursomes from 2 p.m.

The Doubles.

The Rummahs consists found the Satohs much too fast for them, and although at times they matched their opponents at volleying never gave the impression that they were being outplayed. The final set being 6-3, 6-4 in favour of the Japanese. The winners treated the gallery to some splendid overwork killing with deadly accuracy, while their ground strokes were distinctly superior also.

RACING NOTES.

HOW THE AUSTRALIAN PONIES HAVE FARED.

A VERY PROMISING LOT.

[By "MORNING DEW."]

For the first time in recent years Australian ponies will be racing at Happy Valley at the Annual Race Meeting. A batch of twenty was imported last year and the animals on arrival here made a great impression among owners and there is no doubt that when the list is open again for next year, considerably more than twenty will be subscribed for. These ponies are much faster than the China ponies that Hong Kong has been accustomed to and even the crossbreds introduced during the past few seasons compare poorly with the Australians.

There is much difference of opinion as to which is the best of the twenty imported into Hong Kong. Many feel that Kileira, a brown pony of 14 hands 1, belonging to Messrs. Proulx and Hong Shing. This animal did a fast gallop over a mile recently, taking two minutes for the distance. He was then ridden by Mr. "Benny" Proulx and did not look all out. It was as a result of this gallop that many feel that Kileira is the best animal. A few days ago Mr. Sokoloff, who, by the way, will be riding some of the "Dunbar" candidates this year, took Kileira out over a mile and a half and if Mr. Sokoloff will ride Kileira at the Annual Meeting, the pony's chances are indeed good.

A consistent performer during the past two months is Woodland Stag. This pony also has some good gallops to its credit. Mr. Leo Frost had been riding for Mr. Chan Tin Son the owner until the arrival of Mr. L. P. Quincey. Woodland Stag moves well under Mr. Quincey and I feel confident that Mr. Chan Tin Son will account for one of the longer races for Australian ponies. For races over a mile and a quarter, bear this candidate in mind.

Wattle, belonging to Mr. "John" is another mover. Mr. Heard will be riding this pony at the annual meeting and will be carrying top weight on his first appearance on the course because Wattle is the biggest of the imported ponies, being a dun pony of 14 hands 2 inches. Wattle moves very impressively over a single quarter but there is a just a possibility of him being good up to five or six furlongs only and more, in which case he is a good thing to watch for short races only. There is quite a strong belief current among some of the rail fans that Wattle is capable of much more than has been shown so far and that it will prove to be a surprise packet on race day. Whatever may be said about Wattle, I feel sure he will get a good race from the other Australian ponies and that there will be no runaway affair for him.

Fritz, belonging to Mr. W. T. Stanton, is another "speed merchant" and can roll out quarters of 27 and 28 regularly. But for the fact that the animal developed slight trouble in one of his forelegs recently, Fritz would certainly have been one of the best ponies in this class. As it is, I am not without hope that the pony will come round in time to show us his true form at the Annual Meeting.

He seems quite sound again and no doubt a fast gallop before the race meeting will bring him back to the public eye. However, it is not likely that after the recent trouble the pony will be given any real hard work so those who are awaiting for another fast gallop by Fritz may have to be disappointed.

The pony that may upset all calculations is Caulfield, owned by Mr. "Kangaroo." He has not been sent out to any hard work but he looks as if he is capable of much. Caulfield is a black pony of only 13 hands 2 inches and so far Mr. Charles has been riding it. I understand from his connections, however, that Mr. Peto-Hunt will be taking him out during race week so that there can be no question as to whether Caulfield will be well served in the jockey department.

Pagans, belonging to Dr. J. C. Macgown, is another very good looking pony, but I fear he will be found wanting on the points of stamina. The same remarks apply to Thunderclap which has a nice turn of speed but does not look like a stayer. A pony which is improving daily in the Bushard, like Woodland Stag, will be a good thing to watch for the longer races. The Raindrop, belonging to Messrs. Fung and Tang, is also very good and may be a contender for the points without any fear of contradiction. Floretta is also a fairly good animal but a blue pencil can be put through the rest without much trepidation.

HOME FOOTBALL.

ENGLISH AND SCOTTISH LEAGUES.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

There is a full programme of football matches in the English and Scottish Leagues to-day, the fixtures being as under:—

Division I.

Arsenal v. Manchester U.
Birmingham v. Aston Villa.
Blackburn v. West Ham.
Blackpool v. Bolton.
Derby v. Newcastle.
Leeds v. Liverpool.
Leicester v. Huddersfield.
Manchester v. Wednesday.
Preston v. Grimsby.
Sheffield U. v. Chelsea.
Sunderland v. Middlesbrough.

Division II.

Barnsley v. Stoke.
Bradford v. Wolves.
Bristol City v. Millwall.
Bury v. Tottenham.
Cardiff v. Oldham.
Charlton v. Bradford.
Everton v. Nottingham Forest.
Plymouth v. Preston N.E.
Port Vale v. Reading.
Swansea v. Burnley.
West Brom. v. Southampton.

Division III. (Southern).

Bournemouth v. Luton.
Clapton O. v. Gillingham.
Coventry v. Brentford.
Fulham v. Crystal P.
Norwich v. Brighton.
Notts C. v. Newport.
Queen's P.R. v. Torquay.
Swindon v. Southend.
Thames v. Exeter.
Walsall v. Northampton.
Watford v. Bristol R.

Division III. (Northern).

Derlington v. Wrexham.
Doncaster v. Chesterfield.
Gateshead v. Rotherham.
Halifax v. Tranmere.
Hartlepool v. Accrington.
Hull v. Barrow.
Lincoln v. Southport.
Nelson v. Crewe.
New Brighton v. Carlisle.
Stockport v. York.
Wigan v. Rochdale.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Aberdeen v. East Fife.
Ayr v. Partick.
Clyde v. Hamilton.
Cowdenbeath v. Dundee.
Falkirk v. Queen's Park.
Hibernians v. Morton.
Leith v. Hearts.
Motherwell v. Airdrie.
Rangers v. Kilmarnock.
St. Mirren v. Celtic.

LEAGUE RESULT.

SHEFFIELD UNITED LOSE TO BLACKBURN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, Feb. 18.

Playing in the First Division of the English League to-day, Blackburn Rovers, on their own ground, beat Sheffield United by two goals to one.

ANGLO-CATHOLIC SURPRISE.

BISHOP OF LONDON'S CONCESSION.

Considerable discussion has been provoked in Church circles by the attitude of Dr. Ingram, Bishop of London, towards depositions in even- ing service of special prayer and praise before the reserved Sacrament, with incense offered, which he has now defined to the London clergy.

His attitude has hitherto been to allow the service provided nighting was done which could not have been done if the Sacrament were not reserved. Incense could be offered, but not directed towards the Sacrament.

The bishop has now come forward to stress the fact that reservation of the Sacrament for the sick and dying is supported by the great majority of the bishops and by both Houses of Convocation.

He is prepared to sanction a special service of devotion, if exposing the Sacrament, or blessing the people with it, or carrying it in procession. He expressly states his own belief in the doctrine of the Real Presence.

He is even prepared to approve of re-arrangement of the service of Holy Communion. He says: "In the absence of London, if every other Anglican congregation, in addition to the service of the Holy Communion, should be happy to consider the question of transposing the order of the prayer."

HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

[ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COLONEL L. O. BIRD, D.S.O., D.M.C.]

Parade.

Corps Band:—
1.—There will be a practice at Headquarters on Monday, February 23, at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

2.—Corps Band Miniature Rifle Club. There will be a meeting of the Club at the Miniature Range on Wednesday, February 25, at 5.30 p.m.

Battery.

1.—Layers as detailed will parade at Gun Club Hill at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, February 26.

2.—Remainder parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, February 26, for map reading.

Engineer Company.

1.—Monday, February 23. Miniature Range shoot at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

2.—There will be D.L. training at Wellington Barracks on Thursday, February 26, at 5.30 p.m.

Corps Signals.

Parades will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 24, and Friday, February 27.

Machine Gun Troop.

Details will be issued later to each member individually by O.C. Troop.

Armoured Car Company.

1.—Car Section: Parade on Monday, February 23, at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for driving instruction and crew drill.

2.—Motor Cycle Section: Parade on Monday, February 23, at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for instructional driving and map reading, etc.

Machine Gun Company.

The Company will parade at Volunteer Headquarters in multi with belt and side-arms for practice for G.O.C. instruction at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 24.

Scottish Company.

1.—Parades: Thursday, February 26, for arms drill.

No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under Captain H. R. Forsyth.

No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock under Lieut. A. Duncan, M.B.E. Belts and sidearms will be worn.

2.—Musketry: Stonecutters Range has been allotted to the Company on March 8, 1931. Details of practices will be issued later.

Portuguese Company.

1.—Parades: The Company will parade as strong as possible at Headquarters on Friday, February 27, at 5.30 p.m. Practice for G.O.C.'s inspection.

2.—Punk Range: The Punk Range has been allotted to No. 12 Platoon on Sunday, February 22.

Dress: Optional, but dress must be definitely either civilian or khaki with belt, pouches, rifles and bayonets. Range Officer: Lieut. H. J. Silva.

Band President.

Capt. R. R. Davies will temporarily take over the duties of Band President from Lieut. D. L. Strellett on proceeding on leave.

Hand over and taking over certificates will be forwarded to the Adjutant as soon as possible.

M.G. Marksmen.

No. 1099 Dmr. H. R. Major, No. 6 Platoon, has qualified as marksman and is entitled to wear the badge for one year.

Transfer.

THE GARAGE IN WINTER.

DIFFICULTIES OF KEEPING THE CAR WARM.

How I hate my garage in winter! It is a trifle unkind for one thing, the floor of the corner of the drive, after the untidy habit of its species, sheds little crisp, crumpled leaves, devoid of any beauty or colour; and as I am too idle to disembark and close the garage doors when I take the car out, there are always hurries of leaves in all the corners. The oil drips, which still seem inevitable even with a decent car, do not get mopped up as they do in summer. The lurch is untidy for when I have changed a plug or performed some other attention, chilled fingers suggest a hasty retreat to a room with a fire instead of putting everything back in its place.

The car itself is an eyesore judged by summer contrasts. I don't clean it as often or as thoroughly, as in winter days, and the damp air, which the gleam of the enamel with a film which I may liken to the bloom on a purple plum, but which, nevertheless, on a motor car is matter out of place, and matter out of place is an accurate definition of dirt. Moreover, my garage, in itself unbecomingly at this season, is the stage whereon heartrending scenes are enacted at short intervals. I am using an oil which never gummied up my last engine, but with the aid of a few degrees of frost the oil can gum my present 20 h.p. engine into an excellent imitation of a solid mass of metal.

A Pious Wish!

In really cold weather I have literally stood on the starting handle for five minutes without even commencing to hear a single oil film. I wish some of the authors who advise this method of protecting the battery had to start my engine! So when the mercury cutles down its tube I push my large and expensive motor car by hand out into the drive. I then open the radiator tap after removing a felled muff, six old socks and a horse rug. I retreat in the kitchen where I maintain a red gallon jug; return with two red gallons of boiling water; fetch another jugful, and return to the house for a warm drink and a cigarette whilst the hot water thaws out the engine. In ten minutes I come back, and, provided I have not been doing too much stop and start work at night, the battery will now start the engine.

Of course, all this performance is absurd. All my sufferings arise from the fact which compels me to live in an old-fashioned house. Some day, when my aged and adoring aunt exchanges her Daimler for a pair of wings, I shall build myself a house. My architect will babble at length about loggias and drainage, and labour-saving plumbers, and with the authority conferred by wealth, I shall pull him up short. "This house," I shall bark at him, "is to be designed round its garage. Its garage will have three inside walls, central heating, electric power points, and, as soon as the old lady takes to her bed, I shall most indecently take pen and pad and commence my specification. There is nothing wrong with my car. The whole trouble is that I have to keep it in a building which was designed to accommodate a horse kept in it in a building which was cheap and the income tax was sixpence in the pound and regarded as a temporary extortion, imposed to mop up the bills contracted during some petty little colonial war.

You will say to me, why don't I improvise some form of garage heating? You are quite right. The simple fact is that hitherto I have always owned small cars. Now, a small car suffers from obvious drawbacks. It jumps about more than a large car. It is equally difficult to enter or leave it with dignity if your frame was nourished in youth on many sports, and in middle life has suddenly and humbly developed an abdominal excess of its chest. But a small car is at least easy to start. It won't start on the battery a single twirl of its absurd little handle against a liberally flooded carburettor will cause it to

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SUGAR DEPRESSION IN BRITISH COLONIES.

DEVELOPMENT SCHEME UNDER DISCUSSION.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

Riyau, Feb. 10.

In the House of Commons, supplementary estimates for the Colonial services were discussed, including a sum of £14,000 for Dominions, on account of damage suffered from hurricane, and grants and loans amounting to £230,000 in connexion with a comprehensive development scheme in the sugar colonies being undertaken as a consequence of the serious depression.

HEALTH IN EASTERN PORTS.

The following health bulletin of Eastern ports, for the week ended February 14, has been issued:—

Plague.		Cases.	Deaths.
Bassoon	1	1	1
Bombay	1	1	1
Cheriton	1	1	1
Cholera.		27	52
Calcutta	27	52	1
Madras	1	1	1
Nagapattinam	1	1	1
Chittagang	6	2	2
Pondicherry	10	10	1
Bangkok	1	1	1
Small-pox.		35	20
Calcutta	35	20	1
Cochin	10	1	1
Madras	4	1	1
Rangoon	2	1	1
Shanghai	1	1	1
Greater Shanghai	4	1	1
Canton	2	1	1
Kala-Azar.		6	7
Colombo	6	7	1
* Imported.			

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Riyau, Feb. 10.
Paris	123.91
New York	4.85 7/16
Brussels	34.81
Geneva	25.18
Amsterdam	12.10
Milan	92.02
Berlin	50.43
Stockholm	16.14
Copenhagen	16.10
Oslo	16.10
Vienna	34.57
Prague	16.4
Hofburg	193
Madrid	47.35
Lisbon	102.25
Athens	375
Bucharest	817
Hio	47/32
Buenos Aires	30
Montevideo	34
Bombay	1/8
Shanghai	1/18
Hong Kong	101
Yokohama	2/13/32
Silver (spot)	12 7/16
Silver (forward)	12 5/16

omit staccato barking like an excited terrier. And, therefore, it protects you from the mental strain of remembering whether you lit the garage stove or filled the radiator lamp.

Experiences of Outwitting the Weather.

I must confess at this point that I have never owned a heated garage, and never used a Notron stove or a Davy safety bonnet lamp. But I have stayed with urbane, cultured friends, who habitually indulged in these amiable dodges for outwitting the machinations of the weather.

Still, I must shortly choose between one of the several possible courses. The latest bulletin about Aunt Emma are extremely gratifying to everybody except her principal heir. I must either sell the car, or I must buy one of those infernal stoves or lamps or whatnots. Or I must charter one of those wooden-floored, black-leathered men—not to drive me, heaven forbid! but to clean the car and light the stove and start the engine.

Thinking it over carefully, perhaps, on the whole, the simplest plan will be to buy a stove or lamp or whatnot, and take a course in these little grey books, so that I shall remember to light up the warmer early every evening—B.H. Door's in The Autocar.

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG.

FOOCHOW.

Pros. Wilson, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Pros. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Pros. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.

GENOA.

Haiching, Douglas, Feb. 24.
Kingsyuan, B. & S., Feb. 28.
Haining, Douglas, Feb. 27.
Tilawa, B.I., Feb. 28.
Tijarsora, J.C.J.L., Feb. 28.
Antung, B. & S., March 2.
Hosang, Jardine's, March 3.
Tainan, B. & S., March 3.
Anhui, B. & S., March 3.
Santhia, B.I., March 13.
Kutang, Jardine's, March 17.
Taima, B.I., March 25.

ANTWERP.

Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Africa, Manners, Feb. 21.
Ramses, J.C.J.L., Feb. 21.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 7.
Khiva, P. & O., March 7.
Rhyber, P. & O., March 14.
Somali, P. & O., March 21.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Tanda, E. & A., Feb. 28.
Taiping, B. & S., March 20.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 20.

BALTIC PORTS.

Afrika, Manners, Feb. 21.

BALTIMORE.

Loganbank, Bank, March 20.

BANGKOK.

Helios, Thoresen, Feb. 23.
Kalgan, B. & S., Feb. 24.
Kiangsu, B. & S., March 1.
Kaying, B. & S., March 8.

BARCELONA.

Saarbrücken, Melchers, March 7.
Leverkuhn, Jochen, March 8.

BELAWAN-DELL.

Cremer, J.C.J.L., March 12.

BOMBAY.

Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Tokio Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 27.
Alipora, P. & O., March 3.
Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., March 11.
Ganga, Dodwell's, March 25.

BOSTON.

Pros. Wilson, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, Feb. 25.
Pros. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., March 12.
Loganbank, Bank, March 20.
Pros. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.

BREMEN.

Have, Melchers, March 3.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, March 7.
Aller, Melchers, March 21.

BRINDISI.

Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.
Ganga, Dodwell's, March 25.

CALCUTTA.

Takada, B.I., Feb. 28.
Calcutta Maru, N.Y.K., March 1.
Kumsang, Jardine's, March 3.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., March 8.
Suisang, Jardine's, March 9.
Hosang, Jardine's, March 21.
Tilawa, B.I., March 24.

CASABLANCA.

Monelaus, B.F., March 3.

COLOMBO.

Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Pros. Wilson, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Tokio Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 27.
Malwa, P. & O., Feb. 28.
Alipora, P. & O., March 3.
Chenoneaux, M.M., March 3.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 7.
Khiva, P. & O., March 7.
Pros. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.
Raga Maru, N.Y.K., March 11.
Athos II, M.M., March 17.
Antenor, B.F., March 18.
Pros. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.
Ganga, Dodwell's, March 25.

COPENHAGEN.

Afrika, Manners, Feb. 21.

DALNY.

Chenau, B. & S., Feb. 21.
Chinhua, B. & S., March 2.
Hector, B.F., March 7.

DUTCH PORTS.

Afrika, Manners, Feb. 21.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Ramses, J.C.J.L., Feb. 21.
Haiching, Douglas, Feb. 24.
Have, Melchers, March 3.
Monelaus, B.F., March 3.
Kaying, B. & S., March 7.
Khiva, P. & O., March 7.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, March 7.

GUANGZHOU.

City of Guildford, Bank, March 9.
Khiva, P. & O., March 14.
City of Chester, Bank, March 15.
Saarland, Jochen, March 18.
Antenor, B.F., March 18.
Aller, Melchers, March 21.
Somali, P. & O., March 21.

FOOCHOW.

Cheongahing, Jardine's, Feb. 24.
Haiching, Douglas, Feb. 24.
Haining, Douglas, Feb. 27.
Chipahing, Jardine's, March 1.

GENOA.

Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Pros. Wilson, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Ramses, J.C.J.L., Feb. 22.
Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 25.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, March 7.
Leverkuhn, Jochen, March 8.
Pros. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., March 14.
Saarland, Jochen, March 18.
Eurylochus, B.F., March 20.
Pros. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.
Ganga, Dodwell's, March 25.

GLASGOW.

Antenor, B.F., March 18.

GOTHENBURG.

Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 23.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kiungchow, B. & S., Feb. 28.
Antung, B. & S., March 2.
Kingsyuan, B. & S., March 13.

HAMBURG.

Afrika, Manners, Feb. 21.
Ramses, J.C.J.L., Feb. 21.
Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 23.
Have, Melchers, March 3.
Monelaus, B.F., March 3.
City of Chester, Bank, March 5.
Kihiva, P. & O., March 7.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, March 7.
Leverkuhn, Jochen, March 8.
City of Guildford, Bank, March 9.
Saarland, Jochen, March 18.
Aller, Melchers, March 21.
Somali, P. & O., March 21.

HAVRE.

City of Chester, Bank, March 15.
Eurylochus, B.F., March 20.

HONOLULU.

Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., March 4.
Hojo Maru, N.Y.K., March 5.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 18.

JAPAN PORTS.

Aller, Melchers, Feb. 21.
Eumous, B.F., Feb. 21.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Proteus, B.F., Feb. 21.
Somali, P. & O., Feb. 21.
Kangawa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 22.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 24.
Caravanshire, Jardine's, Feb. 25.
Glenlog, Jardine's, Feb. 27.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 28.
Tilawa, B.I., Feb. 28.
Kumsang, Jardine's, March 2.
Kutang, Jochen, March 2.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., March 2.
D'Artagnan, M.M., March 3.
Formosa, Gilman's, March 3.
Hosang, B.F., March 3.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., March 4.
Ganga, Dodwell's, March 4.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., March 5.
Hojo Maru, N.Y.K., March 5.
Mirzapore, P. & O., March 5.
St. Albans, E. & A., March 6.
City of Khios, Bank, March 7.
Hida, Dodwell's, March 9.
Dolius, B.F., March 9.
Santhia, B.I., March 13.
Karma, P. & O., March 14.
Toner, B.F., March 14.
Tivresia, B.F., March 15.
Glenlog, Jardine's, March 16.
Angers, M.M., March 17.
Kutang, Jochen, March 17.
Oldenburg, Jochen, March 17.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., March 18.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 18.
Soudan, P. & O., March 18.
Franken, B.F., March 21.
Nanking, Gilman's, March 24.
Taima, B.I., March 25.

MAHILA.

Pros. Wilson, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Feb. 23.
Pros. Lincoln, Dollar, Feb. 24.
Pros. Cleveland, Dollar, Feb. 25.
Tanda, E. & A., Feb. 28.
Tijarsora, J.C.J.L., March 3.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, March 7.
Pros. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Pros. Madison, Dollar, March 10.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, March 14.
Tijarsora, J.C.J.L., March 17.
Taiping, B. & S., March 20.
Pros. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.
Aluta Maru, N.Y.K., March 22.

MANILA.

Pros. Wilson, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Feb. 23.
Pros. Lincoln, Dollar, Feb. 24.
Pros. Cleveland, Dollar, Feb. 25.
Tanda, E. & A., Feb. 28.
Tijarsora, J.C.J.L., March 3.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, March 7.
Pros. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Pros. Madison, Dollar, March 10.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, March 14.
Tijarsora, J.C.J.L., March 17.
Taiping, B. & S., March 20.
Pros. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.
Aluta Maru, N.Y.K., March 22.

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Pros. Wilson, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, Feb. 25.
Pros. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., March 12.
Loganbank, Bank, March 20.
Pros. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.

NORTH CHINA PORTS.

Hector, B.F., March 7.
Coblenz, Melchers, March 11.

PAKHOL.

Kiungchow, B. & S., Feb. 28.
Kingsyuan, B. & S., March 13.

PANAMA.

Hojo Maru, N.Y.K., March 5.
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., March 12.

PENANG.

Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Pros. Wilson, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Tokio Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 27.
Malwa, P. & O., Feb. 28.
Tanda, E. & A., Feb. 28.
Catcuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 1.
Alipora, P. & O., March 3.
Kumsang, Jardine's, March 3.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 7.
Khiva, P. & O., March 7.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., March 8.
Pros. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Suisang, Jardine's, March 9.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., March 11.
Cremer, J.C.J.L., March 12.
Antenor, B.F., March 18.
Pros. Garfield, Dollar, March 21.
Tikwa, B.I., March 24.

RABAU.

Tanda, E. & A., Feb. 28.

RANGOON.

Catcuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 1.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., March 8.

SAIGON.

Chenoneaux, M.M., March 3.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., March 14.
Athos II, M.M., March 17.

SANDAKAN.

Haining, Jardine's, Feb. 21.
Maueang, Jardine's, March 11.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Pros. Grant, A.M.L., Feb. 24.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., March 4.
Pros. Cleveland, Dollar, March 10.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 18.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, March 24.

SEATTLE.

Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Feb. 23.
Tijarsora, J.C.J.L., March 3.
Tijarsora, J.C.J.L., March 17.

SHANGHAI.

Aller, Melchers, Feb. 21.
Chenau, B. & S., Feb. 21.
Eumous, B.F., Feb. 21.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Somali, B. & O., Feb. 21.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Hosang, B. & S., Feb. 22.
Kangawa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 22.
Szechuan, B. & S., Feb. 22.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 24.
Suiyang, B. & S., Feb. 25.
Africa, Manners, Feb. 25.
Caravanshire, Jardine's, Feb. 25.
Nanchang, B. & S., Feb. 25.
Yatahing, Jardine's, Feb. 25.
Kingsyuan, B. & S., Feb. 26.
Tainan, B. & S., Feb. 27.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 28.
Tilawa, B.I., Feb. 28.
Tijarsora, J.C.J.L., Feb. 28.
Kwongang, Jardine's, March 1.
Sunning, B. & S., March 1.
Chinhua, B. & S., March 2.
Glenlog, Jardine's, March 2.
Kulmerland, Jochen, March 2.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., March 2.
D'Artagnan, M.M., March 3.
Formosa, Gilman's, March 3.
Persus, B.F., March 3.
Sinkiang, B. & S., March 3.
Chikung, Jardine's, March 4.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., March 4.
Ganga, Dodwell's, March 4.
Tainan, B. & S., March 4.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., March 5.
St. Albans, E. & A., March 6.
City of Khios, Bank, March 7.
Hector, B.F., March 7.
Annam, Manners, March 9.
Hida, Dodwell's, March 9.
Suisang, Jardine's, March 9.
Dolius, B.F., March 10.
Coblenz, Melchers, March 11.
Santhia, B.I., March 13.
Karma, P. & O., March 14.
Tivresia, B.F., March 15.
Glenlog, Jardine's, March 16.
Angers, M.M., March 17.
Kutang, Jochen, March 17.
Oldenburg, Jochen, March 17.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., March 18.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 18.
Soudan, P. & O., March 18.
Franken, B.F., March 21.
Nanking, Gilman's, March 24.
Taima, B.I., March 25.

SEATTLE.

Afrika, Manners, Feb. 21.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Pros. Wilson, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Malwa, P. & O., Feb. 28.
Ramses, J.C.J.L., Feb. 28.
Chenoneaux, M.M., March 3.
Have, Melchers, March 3.
Monelaus, B.F., March 3.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 7.
Khiva, P. & O., March 7.
Pros. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Khyber, P. & O., March 14.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., March 14.
Saarland, Jochen, March 18.
Athos II, M.M., March 17.
Antenor, B.F., March 18.
Aller, Melchers, March 21.
Somali, P. & O., March 21.
Pros. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.

SEATTLE.

Afrika, Manners, Feb. 21.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Pros. Wilson, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Malwa, P. & O., Feb. 28.
Ramses, J.C.J.L., Feb. 28.
Chenoneaux, M.M., March 3.
Have, Melchers, March 3.
Monelaus, B.F., March 3.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 7.
Khiva, P. & O., March 7.
Pros. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.
Khyber, P. & O., March 14.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., March 14.
Saarland, Jochen, March 18.
Athos II, M.M., March 17.
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SHANGHAI & HANKOW	"NANCHANG"	On 25th Feb.	6 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 26th Feb.	Noon
HONGKOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KINGYUAN"	On 26th Feb.	6 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TAIYUAN"	On 27th Feb.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"SUNNING"	On 1st Mar.	9 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"KIANGSU"	On 1st Mar.	11 a.m.
BANGKOK			
SWATOW, AMOI, SWATOW, HONGKOW	"ANTUNG"	On 2nd Mar.	3 p.m.
& SINGAPORE	"CHINHUA"	On 2nd Mar.	5 p.m.
SHANGHAI & DALNY	"SINKIANG"	On 3rd Mar.	9 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"TSINAN"	On 4th Mar.	5 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"KAYING"	On 8th Mar.	11 a.m.
SWATOW & HANKOW	"ANHUI"	On 9th Mar.	3 p.m.
SWATOW, AMOI, SWATOW & FOK	"KINGYUAN"	On 13th Mar.	Noon
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STATION	Hour	FEBRUARY 19, 1931.					FEBRUARY 20, 1931				
		Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Wind	Direction	Force	Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Wind	Direction	Force
Wladivostok	12	30.02	70.25	27	SW	2	30.02	70.1	9	...	0
Namuro	11	30.06	70.35	...	NNW	1	30.00	70.0	...	...	...
Hakodate	...	30.16	70.0	...	WNW	0	30.14	70.5	...	NW	0
Kobe	...	30.16	70.0	...	...	...	30.15	70.5	...	...	...
Koshi	...	30.16	70.0	...	ESE	1	30.20	70.0	...	NE	1
Nagasaki	...	30.18	70.5	...	ENE	1	30.20	70.0	...	NW	1
Kagoshima	...	30.16	70.0	...	...	...	30.16	70.0	...	...	...
Oshima	...	30.08	70.0	...	NE	2	30.02	70.5	...	NE	1
Naha	...	30.00	70.0	...	...	...	29.98	70.0	...	ENE	1
Lahigajima	...	30.00	70.0	...	NNE	2	30.04	70.0	...	ESE	1
Bonin Island	...	30.04	70.0	...	NE	2	30.02	70.0	...	NE	1
Chetoo	...	30.20	70.1	39	NE	2	30.01	70.0	...	NW	2
Shanghai	14	30.38	70.9	40	...	...	30.38	71.6	38	...	...
Gutzlaff	...	30.35	70.0	40	NNE	4	30.34	70.1	41	NE	4
Wenchow	...	30.18	70.6	40	NNE	2	30.24	70.0	40	NE	2
Foochow	...	30.03	70.2	62	...	...	30.12	70.0	40	E	2
Amoy	...	29.98	70.15	54	ESE	8	30.05	70.2	60	...	...
Swatow	...	29.94	70.05	57	NE	4	30.06	70.3	59	NNE	2
Taipei	...	30.06	70.8	59	E	4	30.04	70.9	59	N	4
Taihu	...	30.06	70.3	61	...	...	29.99	70.1	61	...	...
Taiwan	...	30.00	70.1	72	N	2	29.95	70.0	63	...	...
Koshun	...	29.98	70.1	79	N	2	29.98	70.0	69	NNE	4
Pescadore	...	30.02	70.2	63	NE	6	29.96	70.1	59	E	4
Hong Kong	14	29.94	70.05	60	E	4	29.96	70.1	62	ENE	4
Gap Rock	...	29.95	70.0	64	NE	4	29.95	70.0	50	N	2
Macao	...	29.98	70.0	66	NNW	4	29.95	70.0	50	...	...
Hoihow	...	29.95	70.0	76	ENE	4	29.95	70.0	50	...	...
Pratas Island	...	29.92	70.0	67	...	...	29.95	70.0	72	NE	6
Phu Lien	16	29.92	70.0	67	...	...	29.97	70.1	58	SE	2
Tourane	...	29.85	70.2	74	NW	4	29.90	70.5	72	WNW	6
Cape St. James	...	29.85	70.8	81	ENE	6	29.91	70.7	77	ENE	6
Basco	...	29.86	70.8	81	SE	6	29.93	70.0	74	SW	2
Aparri	14	29.83	70.7	85	NE	4	29.93	70.0	67	...	...
Tuguegarao	...	29.91	70.9	78	...	...	29.91	70.9	78	...	...
Vigan	...	29.82	70.7	91	ESE	4	29.91	70.9	78	...	...
Manila	...	29.83	70.7	86	NNW	3	29.91	70.9	70	SSE	2
Legaspi	...	29.83	70.7	86	N	2	29.91	70.9	70	NW	2
Calbayog	...	29.85	70.8	81	SE	2	29.92	70.0	74	...	...
Tacoloban	...	29.84	70.8	91	ENE	4	29.98	70.8	77	...	...
Iloilo	...	29.81	70.7	85	E	4	29.88	70.8	74	...	...
Cebu	...	29.82	70.7	85	E	4	29.88	70.8	74	...	...
Surigao	...	29.82	70.7	85	E	4	29.88	70.8	74	...	...
Sulipan	11.00	29.83	70.7	86	NE	6	29.88	70.8	74	...	...
Guam	12.22	29.83	70.7	86	ENE	2	29.88	70.8	74
Yap	11.00	29.83	70.7	86	N	7	29.88	70.8	74
Pelew	...	29.80	70.6	88	29.83	70.7	78
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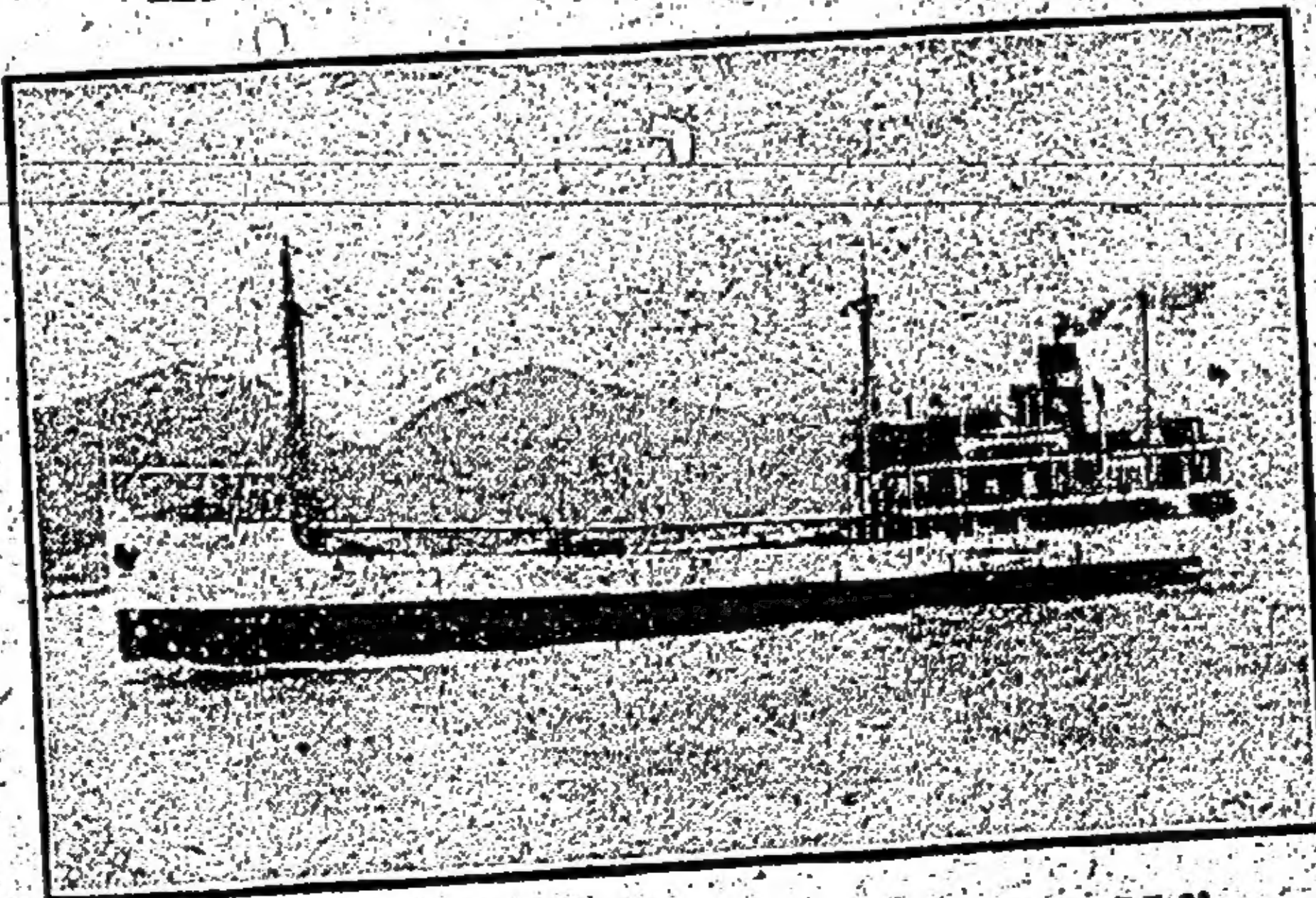
February 20, 10h. 53m. A new anticyclone has formed over S.E. Mongolia.
Fresh monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and moderate monsoon over the N. China Sea.
Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1, 0.63 inch, against an average of 2.69 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON FEBRUARY 21.
District

- Formosa Channel ... N.E. winds, fresh.
- South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamoo ... N.E. winds, moderate; generally overcast.
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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALOUTTA	"KUMSANG" "BUTSANG" "HOSANG"	Tues., 3rd Mar., at 8 p.m. Mon., 8th Mar., at 3 p.m. Sat., 21st Mar., at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"HOSANG"	Tues., 3rd Mar., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"KUTSANG"	Tues., 17th Mar., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"YUENSANG"	Mon., 30th Mar., at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG" "MAUSANG"	Satur., 21st Feb., at 3 p.m. Wed., 11th Mar., at Noon
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